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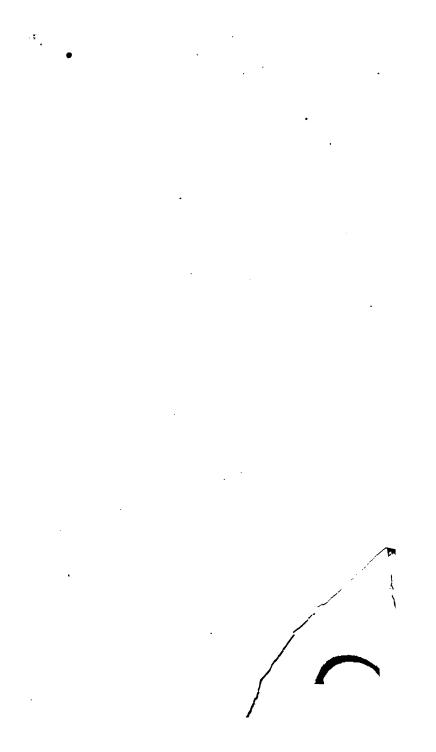
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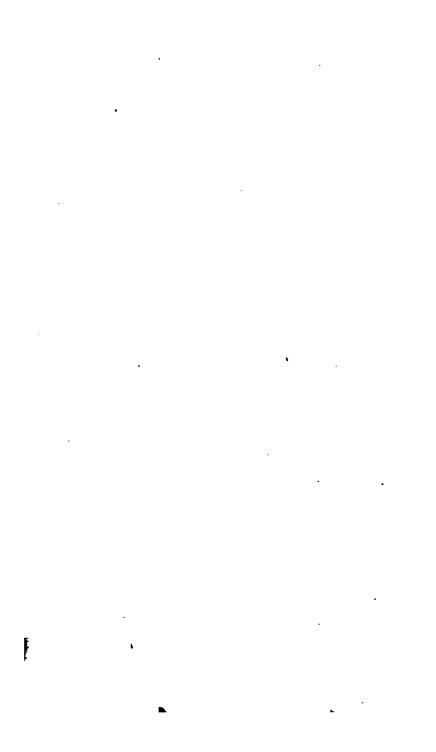


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ECLIPSES IN THE YEAR 1852.

There will be six Eclipses, three of the Sun, and three of the Moon, this year.

I. January 6th and 7th, Moon eclipsed; visible and total.

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II. January 21, Sun eclipsed at the time of New Moon in the morning, (20th in the evening, west of the Rocky mountains;) invisible. Visible about the South Pole of the earth.

III. June 17, Sun eclipsed at the time of New Moon in the morning, (evening in the castern part of New England;) invisible. Visible in the southern part of South America.

IV. July 1, Moon eclipsed at the time of Full Moon in the morning; invisible.

V. December 10, Sun eclipsed at the time of New Moon in the evening; invisible. It will be visible throughout the greater part of Asia; and will be central and total on the meridian in longitude 127° 18' east from Greenwich, and latitude 37° 28' north.

VI. December 26, Sabbath morning, Moon eclipsed on the southern limb; visible and partly visible in the United States.

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PREFACE.

At the commencement of this new undertaking, as we offer the first number of the "Literary Almanac" for your perusal, it would seem proper to give a general view of the objects designed in its issue.

The present publication is intended to be a Hand-Book of Literary Statistics and Information, regarding the progress of Literature and Literary Institutions in our country. It was believed that an annual volume, which should gather up interesting facts respecting our Public and Private Libraries, the Publications of the previous year, concerning Authors, Booksellers, and the Book Trade; sketches in the different departments of Literature; Bibliographical Notes, &c., if issued in a convenient form and widely circulated, would greatly tend to advance the interests of the Trade, and to awaken the attention of the public to subjects and pursuits of this nature.

To some extent, this information has been scattered through different Literary Periodicals, but such publications are generally too extensive for convenience of reference, and combine too much material that is useless in a textbook. Indeed, until within a few years past, the Book Trade has been almost entirely destitute of purely Literary Journals. This want being supplied, it is yet desirable that a Year-Book of Facts should also be published, containing condensed records of the past and brief notices of passing events, treasuring them up as mementoes of the History of Literature in our own land.

The editor is aware that the present number is but as a *Prospectus* of that which the Almanac is designed to be, and with the encouragement of the public, will be in future years. Although the subject-matter has been collected with care, the circumstances under which it was prepared forbade any extensive research.

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The only apology is, that less than a month has been the most allowance of time in which to obtain the details of a year; typic to make mature our plans, to compile statistics, &c.

If, therefore, the contents shall be found to bear the marks of haste, it is hoped that the statement above will prove a sufficient excuse.

Our thanks are due to many professional gentlemen who have taken especial interest in this enterprise, and to those who have kindly furnished some of the articles published within. We would particularly desire to render our acknowledgment to Prof. C. C. Jewett, of Washington, whose able and satisfactory Report on Libraries, (Jan. 1st, 1851,) has afforded us much assistance. The Almanac exceeds by twelve pages the intended size, and notwithstanding this enlargement, we are compelled to defer several articles until a future period. Among these, "American Literary Chronology," from the earliest settlement of the country, with brief biographical sketches, &c.; "Notices of Library Sales in the United States," &c., &c., which will be revised and corrected for our next year's Publication.

Sketch of Literature in 1851.

When we compare the present facilities for imparting knowledge and scattering it ever so widely throughout the land, which we now possess, with the former slow, inconvenient, and unskillful processes of extending information, the transition appears so great that we can scarcely realize that but (comparatively) a few years since, cheap newspapers and shilling books were considered altogether out of the question, or never even thought of. Of course, the progress of American literature becomes, every year, more and more marked, both as it regards the number of new publications, the style of their issue, and their intrinsic value. It is our purpose to mention a few of the more important library volumes published during 1851. We have time and space only for their mere titles. (For more full particulars, see Norton's Monthly Literary Adver-

tiser.)

In Miscellaneous Literature, we have recorded about fifteen editions, including the illustrated one of "Reveries of a Bachelor," by Mitchell, alias "Ik Marvel." This has been issued in a most readable form, as also "The Lorgnette," the long disputed authorship of which has been very happily fixed upon the same individual. He has also written "Dream Life," a fable for the seasons. About six thousand copies have been sold of the "Wide-Wide World," by "Elizabeth Wetherell." De Quincey's Miscellaneous Writings, including the "Cæsars," and his "Literary Reminiscences," have been issued in companion volumes to his "Opium Eater." Hawthorne has written "The House of Seven Gables," in his usual pleasant vein. Longfellow's new Poem, "The Golden Legend, a Mystery," is also published by the same house. Elizabeth Barrett Browning's Poems comprise two volumes. Prof. Hart, of Philadelphia, has made a selection of the "American Female Prose Writers." Mill's "Literature and Literary Men of Great Britain," in two handsome volumes. Mrs. Clarke's Annals of the Fair, "The Heroines of Shakspeare," has just been completed, in 10 Parts. Mayhew's "London Labor and London Poor," reveals the destitution of the most charitable city in the world. "Fruits of Leisure," is a quiet little volume of Essays, by Arthur Helps, author of Friends in Council." "Episodes of Insect Life," is a popular and pleasing connection of Natural History with Fireside Miscellany. Chambers's "Papers for the Propie,? in a series of volumes, will be even more appreciated by the student than the "Miscellany" is by the people. Taylor's "Elements of

Thought," and "Physical Theory of Another Life," have been issued in a superior style, and Mr. Gownis has a number of works preparing in a like form.

A peculiar feature, this year, is the publication of half century volumes; one is by Dr. Davis, "A History of Changes and Events" during that period; and the other, Bandes "Christian Retrospect." Of annual Registers, the "American Almanac" still embodies most of the statistics of commercial interest, and the "Annual of Scientific Discovery," has reached its second year.

In Mechanical Science, we note "Appleton's Dictionary of Engineering, Machinery," &&:., now completed in two volumes, royal 8vo., with 4000 engravings. This firm has also re-published "The Steam Engine," by the Artisan Club. The importance of furnishing the inexperienced with suitable textbooks, is beginning to be realized. The "Practical Series," published in Philadelphia, comprising works on Mechanics, Moulding, Gilding, Cotton Spinning, Iron Working, etc., etc., is an excellent collection. Moné's "Mechanical Engineering," is in folio, with plates. Haupt, "On the Construction of Bridges," is a valuable book. A very ingenious work is by Parker, on "The Quadrature of the Circle." "Iconographic Encyclopædia," a splendid Dictionary of Arts, Sciences and general knowledge, by G. Heck, edited by Prof. Baird, is just completed in 4 volumes, 8vo., letter-press, and 2 volumes, oblong 4to., plates.

Architecture has a noble contribution in John Ruskin's Foundations; or, "The Stones of Venice," and Stuart's "Dictionary" of the Art, is an extensive work in 2 vols. royal 8vo.

Hassall's "Microscopic Anatomy," 2 vols. royal 8vo., opens up new dis-

coveries in this branch of scientific inquiry.

There have been but few new Agricultural Works this year. Barry's "Fruit Garden," has had a large sale; and "Browne's Muck Book," is just published. A new edition of "Michaux's North American Sylva," has been published in 2 vols., 4to.

Geology has been represented in the writings of Hugh Miller, whose last work is "The Bass Rock." De la Beche's "Geological Observer," is a handsome octavo, revised edition. Dr. Hitchcock's work is entitled "The Religion of Geology and the Collateral Sciences."

Lardner's Hand-Book of Natural Philosophy, illustrated.

In Chemistry, Gregory's Outlines, and Olmsted's Elements, are important elementary works. Gregory's Letters on Animal Magnetism, are almost as marvellous as the revelations of the Spiritual Knockings, concerning which

there have been so many publications during the past year.

Of Historical Works relating to our country, Hildreth's 4th and 5th vols. have been published; to be completed in 6. The most valuable records are preserved in the published vols. of John Adams's Works; the Papers of Alexander Hamilton, and in vol. 1 of Calhoun's Writings. Webster's Speeches, revised edition, will soon be issued. The first volume of the "Pictorial Field Book of the Revolution," by Lossing, is beautifully illustrated, and makes an exceedingly interesting book. Schoolcraft has prepared a splendid volume on the "History, State and Prospects of the Indian Tribes of North America," a full collection of all the most reliable information on this interesting subject. Also, a volume of his "Personal Memoirs." Copway's History of the Ojibway Nation, forms one volume, 12mo. Of local History, we have Pickett's Alabama, 2 vols.; Wheeler's "Sketches of North Carolina;" Parkman's "Conspiracy of the Pontiac, and Wars of the North American Tribes;" the different Historical Collections of the several States, &c.

Amongst National Histories, Grote's Greece holds a prominent place. It is re-printed in 8 vols., 12mo. Dr. Schmitz's "School History" of Greece, is a valuable epitome. Lamartine's "Restoration of the Monarchy in France," is a worthy companion to the "Girondists;" vol. 1, published. Saxton's, Fall

of Poland, 2 vols., with a History of the Country.

Travels—America and the American People have been "shown up" this year, by Lady Emmeline Wortley Montague. Prof. Johnston has published his "Notes on America, Agricultural, Social, &c.;" while Horace Greeley has returned the compliment in his "Glances at Enrope," originally published in the Tribune. The Travels and miscellanies of the lamented Colton, are in course of publication, under the editorial supervision of Rev. H. T. Cheever.

In Biography, we notice the memorial of the Poet Wordsworth, by his son, and of the Rev. Edward Bickersteth, by Rev. T. R. Birks, each in 2 vols., 12mo. "The Life and Religion of Mahommed," has been translated by Rev. J. L. Merrick; Lord Campbell's "Lives of the Chief Justices of England," has had an extensive sale.

A large number of new School Books and Educational Works have issued from the press. One of the most important of these is Schmitz and Zumpt's "Classical Series," in numerous neat little volumes, with short notes. A Latin Lexicon, on an extensive scale, has been compiled by Professor Andrews, essisted by Professor Turner, thick royal 8vo.

Browne's History of Greek Classical Literature, is a valuable dissertation for higher classes. Rev. Jacob Abbott's Series of "Histories," 16 vols., and Woodworth's (Uncle Frank's) "Stories," are beautifully illustrated juveniles; whilst Arthur's "Library for the Household," is suitable for children of a larger growth.

In conclusion, we need but remark that the usual number of Annuals, Gift Books, &c., with the illustrated books of the season, are piled on the

tables of our booksellers, awaiting the Christmas Holidays.

Almanacs and Almanac-Makers.

On the occasion of issuing our first number, we have thought that it would not be unacceptable to our readers to spread before them some of the results of our researches into the history of the first appearance of Almanacs and

their subsequent use.

The word itself is of unsettled origin. Most antiquaries have supposed that the Al in this word is derived from the Arabic article, which signifies the; but then some derive the remainder of the word from the Greek word—µavaκos a lunary circle, or the course of months; Johnson takes it from the Greek μην-a month; others from the Hebrew, Manach, to count, or mana, a reckoning; others again, from the Dutch, Maand, or German, Moand, the moon, or an account of every moon, &c. As the various rites and observances in most religious were regulated by the periods of the moon, none of these derivations are improbable. It is certain that the word calendar, which is used in connection with our Almanacs, was derived from the Greek Kaleo, I call, because a sacrifice was offered at the appearance of the new moon by the proclamation of the priest. It is singular that all should agree to take the first syllable (Al) from one language, and the two last from so many different ones. It is probable that Verstigan is more nearly right. He says that it is a Saxon word; that the first of them were kept on carved sticks, which were called Almon-aght-signifying in old English or Saxon, all moon-heed, or the regard or observation of all the moons, and hence the word Almanac. This latter seems at least to have been the more immediate derivation, and the former more re-The Egyptians computed time by instruments which were probably not so rustic as the carved sticks which were the Runic Almanacs, used by the Danes, Swedes and Norwegians. These latter were called Reinstocks, Runstocks, Primstanes, Clogs, &c. The Egyptian Obelisks may yet prove to be Almanacs or Astrological calculations. The Egyptian priests called them " fiugers of the sun."

Some account of the Principal Almanacs from the earliest times.

Leaving the days of wooden Almanacs, we find as the first relic, John Somer's Cal-ndar, written at Oxford, in 1380; another in Lambeth palace, written in 1460.

The first published one was in 1472, by Martin Ilkus, at Buda, Poland; and in 1473, they were compiled nearly in their present form, by John Muller, otherwise Regiomontanus, a Printer at Nuremburg.

In 1497, Richard Pynson's, the first one, was printed in England.

" 1533, Tybault, Prognostications commenced.

In 1566, by Michael Nostrodamus, a pretended Prophet and Astrologer.
1587, by W. Farmer, Derby, in 4to. The first one printed in Ireland.

4 1579, An ordinance of Henry III., forbade all Almanac-makers to prophecy, directly or indirectly, concerning the affairs of state or individuals.

1639, First Almanac printed in America, being the second article printed in the English Colony, at the new press which had just been introduced at Cambridge, Mass. It was by "Mr. William Peirce, mariner." From this time a yearly Almanac, and afterwards more than one were issued from this and the Boston press. They were generally filled with Scripture Passages and loose poetry, with lists of houses of entertainment, and public roads, reports of the Public Acts of the Legislature, &c.

1644. Lilly's " Ephemeris," (English) commenced.

1646. "Bloody Irish Almanac," published at Waterford, Ireland, contained an Epitome of the state Public Affairs.

1648. Astronomical Calculation, by Urian Oakes, (he was afterwards president of Harvard College,) published at Cambridge.

1652. Poor Robin's Almanac, (English) began.

1673. The first English Almanac in the present shape, compiled by

Maurice Wheeler, An edition of 30,000 was sold.

1677. The earliest Almanac in Scotland, by Mr. Forbes of Aberdeen, continued about 23 years.

1680. Dr. Plott, an Antiquarian, published the Clog, or Staffordshire Alma-

nac, all engraved on a copperplate.

1681. John Foster, (the first printer in Boston,) was both a printer and calculator of Almanacs. To his Almanac for this year, he annexed an ingenious dissertation on comets seen at Boston in Nov. and Dec., 1680.

1698. "Les Connaisance des Temps," a French Nautical Almanac, similar

to that published in England.

1705. "The Ladies' Diary," commenced. The influences of this Diary, and the "Gentleman's Diary," on the mathematical sciences in England has been wonderful. Difficult questions in mathematics are offered for solution in one year's number, and the successful competitor announced in the next year's.

1713. "Moore's Almanac," (English) at one time very popular, having a

sale of over 500,000 copies annually.

1715. An American Almanac, by Increase Gatchel, æt. 16, "Apprentice to George Brownell, Schoolmaster, who teacheth Writing, Cyphering, Naviga-

tion &c. - Also Musick, Dancing, &c."

1733. Poor Richard's Almanac commenced. This was the production of Dr. Franklin, and was continued for many years. After many years' research, Mr. J. Doggett, Jr., of N. Y., has succeeded in obtaining a complete set of this Almanac from its commencement. It is issued with illustrations, and includes the autob ography of Franklin, and his pithy sayings. "The proverbe," says the Dr., "which contained the wisdom of many ages and nations, I assembled and formed into a connected discourse prefixed to my Almanac of 1758, as the harangue of a wise old man to the people attending an auction." It has been universally re-printed. Mr. Dogget is re-printing these Almanacs yearly.

1735. Season on the Seasons, (English) commenced.

1741. Gentleman's Diary, (English) "

1749. Poor Richard's Almanac was issued for the first time with illustrations. These are of the most primitive character, and are supposed to have been executed by the Dr. himself.

1767. The Nautical Almanac (English) commenced. It is published about five years in advance, for the convenience of vessels that make long yoy-

ages.

1784. Isaiah Thomas, one of the most noted of early printers of this country, issued an Almanac. These Almanacs became a good advertising medium to booksellers.

1793. The Farmer's Almanac, by Robert B. Thomas.

1806. First Almanac printed at Constantinople, Turkey.

1820. The Ladies' and Gentlemen's Diary, or the U. S. Almanac and Repository of Science and Amusements, by M. Nash.

1829. American Almanac commenced.

We have thus detailed some of the principal of which the date of first publication has been found. Besides these, the following have been more or less noted: "Goldsmith's Almanac," "Rider's Pocket Almanac," and "White's Ephemeris, or Celestial Atlas," British Almanac and Companion."

In former times, the yearly Almanac exercised a powerful influence on public opinion and over public morals, and, in most cases, their use was per-

verted by the astrologers, to disseminate their ridiculous prophecies.

One of the most useful of late Almanacs, is De Morgan's "Book of Almanacs," which is good until A.D. 2000.

Newspapers in the United States. Compiled by J. R. Roce, census office.

The statistics of the newspaper press form an interesting feature in the returns of the 7th census. It appears that the whole No. of newspapers and periodicals in the United States, on the 1st June, 1850, amounted to 2,800. Of these 2,494 were fully returned, 234 had all the facts excepting circulation given, and 72 are estimated for California, the territories, and those that may have been omitted by the Assistant Marshal.

From calculations made on the statistics returned, and estimates where they have been omitted, it appears that the aggregate circulation of these 2,800 papers and periodicals is about 5,000,000, and that the entire number of copies printed annually in the United States, amounts to 422,600,000. The following table will show the number of daily, weekly, monthly, and other

issues, with the average circulation of each class:

			No	Circulation.	No. of copies. printed annually
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Tri-weeklies.			150	75,000	11,700,00
Semi-weeklies.			125	80,000	8,320,00
Weeklies.			2,000	2,875,000	_ 149,500,00
Semi-Monthlies.			5 0	300,000	7,300,00
Monthlies			100	900,000	10,800,00
Quarterlies.		•	25	20,000	80,00
			2,800	5,000,000	422,700,00

424 papers are issued in the New England States, 876 in the Middle States 716 in the Southern States, and 784 in the Western States.

The average circulation of papers in the United States, 1,785.

There is one publication for every 7,161 free inhabitant in the United State and territories.

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The whole number of Libraries mentioned below is 140, and the number of Vols. 1,773,990. This list has been compiled and arranged with care. An alphabetical order was preferred for convenience of reference. Though it is possible that some of its details may prove to be imperfect, yet these discrepancies will not effect the general correctness of the result. If, in opposition to the old adage, figures will lie, it is yet more certain that they must not be kept standing, at least in keeping the account of our Public Libraries, as it is impossible to average their constant and yet varying increase, dependent as this is upon so many unforeseen circumstances, (this is particularly the case in our Popular Libraries, where a change of administration often involves a change of policy in reference to expenditure.) A year hence, and we hope to make important additions to our list of new Libraries formed or old Associations re-invigorated, and also to present many interesting facts, when our statistics shall have been freshly gathered from the original sources.

Those Colleges marked *, include the number of volumes in the Students' Literary Societies connected with the Institution.

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University of Vermont, Burlington, Vt.,
Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa.,
' Virginia, Charlottaville, Va.,
' North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C.,
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War Department, Washington, D. C.,
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Library, Washington, D. C.,
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Prof. M. J. Smead
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140 Libraries, containing 1,773,900 vols.

Making an average of 12,670 vols. to each Lagrary.

Prof. C. C. Jewett, Librarian of the Smithsonian Institution, at Washington, has made (1850) the following estimate of the Public Libraries in the United

States. It is extracted from his valuable Report on Libraries, published by order of Congress:

9,505 227 142	Public School Libraries, Academies and Professional Schools, Students' Libraries (in Colleges, &c.) College "	1,552,332 320 909	The number of Libraries, each less than 1000 vols., 271 Vols. in these Libraries, 95,980 Number of Libraries contain-
39	Social " (Popular), State " Scientific and Historical Societies,	611,334 2⊱8 937 138,901	ing each 1000 vols. and upwards, 423 Vols in these Libraries, 2,105,652
10 100	Aggregate	3 753 964	Average size, 4,977



Smithsonian Institution.

THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION derives its name and endowment from James Smithson, Esq., of England.

Mr. Smithson was a son of the first Duke of Northumberland. He was educated at Oxford, where he distinguished himself by his scientific attainments. In 1787, the year after taking his Master's degree, he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society. To the "Philosophical Transactions" he contributed, at different times, eight valuable papers. He was an associate of most of the eminent men of science of the last generation in England, and was much respected for his proficiency in the department of chemistry, as well as for his amiable and unassuming manners. He had no fixed residence, and formed no family ties. The last years of his life were spent mostly on the continent, and he died at Genoa, June 27th, 1829.

From the property which he received by his mother, and the ample annuity allowed him by his father, his frugality enabled him to accumulate a fortune, which, at the time of his death, amounted to about 120,000 pounds sterling.

By his will, he directed that the income of this property (after deducting some small annuities) should be paid to his nephew, Henry James Hungerford, during his life, and that the property itself should descend to his children, if he had any, absolutely and forever.

"In case of the death of my said nephew without leaving a child, or children, or of the death of the child or children he may have had, under the age of 21 years, or intestate, I then bequeath the whole of my property (subject to an anuity of 100 pounds to John Fitall, and for the security and payment of which, I mean stock to remain in this country,) to the United States of America, to found at Washington, under the name of the Smithsonian Institution, an establishment for the increase and diffusion of knowledge among men."

Such are the words of the will, and the only words of Smithson which have come to us relating to this remarkable bequest.

Of the reasons which led him to make this disposal of his fortune, we know nothing except by inference. He was never in America, had no friends or acquaintances here, and is supposed to have had no particular fondness for republican institutions. No sentence among his papers, no book in his library, no recollection of his associates, shows that he had made our country an object of special thought and study. It was, we may suppose, to perpetuate his name as the friend and patron of science and learning that he made this bequest; and it is the highest compliment that he could pay our country, to select it as the Trustee of his noble purposes, and to abstain from trammelling the legacy by any condition, restriction, reservation, or direction.

Young Hungerford died at Pisa, on the 5th of June, 1835, without issue. The event thus occurred in which the claim of the United States attached. The particulars of the bequest were communicated to our government, and both Houses of Congress passed a bill, which was approved the first of July, 1836, authorizing the President to appoint an agent to prosecute, in the Court of Chancery of England, the right of the United States to the bequest; and pledging the faith of the United States to the application of the fund to the purposes designated by the donor.

Hon. Richard Rush of Philadelphia, was by the President appointed the agent of the United States. He proceeded to England, instituted a suit in the Court of Chancery, recovered the fund and paid it into the Treasury of the United States, in sovereigns, during the month of September, 1838.

The amount of the fund at this time was \$515,169. It was not till eight years after this period, 10th August, 1846, that the act establishing the Smithsonian Institution was finally passed.

This act creates an establishment, to be called the Smithsonian Institution, composed of the President and Vice President of the United States, the Secretaries of State, of the Treasury, of War, and the Navy, the Postmaster General, Attorney General, and Mayor of Washington, with such others as they may elect Honorary Members. It devolves the immediate government of the Institution upon a Board of Regents, of fifteen members; namely, the Vice President of the United States, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and the Mayor of the city of Washington, ex officio, three members of the Senate, to be appointed by the President thereof, three members of the House to be appointed by the Speaker, and six persons to be chosen from the citizens at large, by joint resolution of the Senate and House, two of whom shall be members of the National Institute, and the other four inhabitants of States, and no two from the same State.

The act establishes a permanent loan of the original fund (\$515,169) to the United States at six per cent. interest; appropriated the accumulated interest, then amounting to \$242,129, or so much as might be needed, together with so much of the accruing income as might be unexpended in any year, for the erection of a building; provided for the establishment of a Library, Museum, Chemical Laboratory, &c., and left most of the details of the organization to the Board of Regents.

As the result of the conscientious labors of the Board of Regents, a plan of organization has been adopted which seems to give universal satisfaction, and promises the widest usefulness.

The cost of the building is limited (with furniture, grading the grounds, &c.) to \$250,000. This will be taken mostly from the income of the original and building funds, so as to save \$150,000 of the building fund, which will be added to the original fund, making a permanent fund of \$675,000, yielding nearly \$40,000 per annum.

This income, with all sums received from other sources, is to be permanently and equally divided between two great methods of increasing and diffusing knowledge—the first by publications, researches, and lectures—the second by collections of literature, science, and art.

The first two volumes of a series entitled "Smithsonian Contributions to Knowledge, in 4to, have been issued; also, several works in a series of a more popular character, and in 8vo. form, entitled "Smithsonian Reports." It is proposed, also, to publish for still wider circulation, a monthly "Bulletin." Re-

searches in various departments of science have been instituted, or aided by the Institution, and several courses of free lectures have been delivered.

The various publications of the Institution have been very liberally distributed among the literary and scientific Institutions of this country and of foreign countries.

The Library has been commenced, and although the funds have not been available for its rapid growth, it is destined, we hope, to meet that great want of American scholarship, a National Library for reference and research. Measures have been taken, also, for supplying the Cabinet of Natural History and the Gallery of Art.

The building is in the later Norman or Lombard style. It consists of a centre and two wings, united by connecting ranges. Its extreme length is 447 feet, and its greatest breadth 132 feet. It is adorned by nine towers, the highest of which is 145 feet. The central portion of the building contains, on the first floor, a Library, 134 feet by 50, divided into alcoves, and a Hall for philosophical apparatus, 65 feet by 50. The second story contains the Museum, 200 feet by 50. This is divided into three aisles, the centre aisle being 40 feet in height

The east wing contains a Lecture-Room, capable of accommodating one thousand persons. The eastern range contains laboratories, workshops, rooms for apparatus, offices, &c.

The western wing and range contains two large rooms, one of which will be used as a Reading-Room. Beneath are rooms for unpacking books, and other purposes of the Library.

Officers of the Smithsonian Institution.

Millard Fillmore, ex-officio, Presiding Officer of the Institution; Roger B. Taney, Chaucellor of the Institution; Joseph Henry, Secretary of the Institution; Charles C. Jewett, Assistant Secretary, in charge of the Library; Spencer F. Baird, Assistant Secretary, in charge of the Museum; Edward Foreman, General Assistant; Alex'r. D. Bache, James A. Pearce, Joseph G. Totten, Executive Committee; Jefferson Davis, Henry W. Hillard, Walter Lenox, Building Committee; W. W. Seaton, Treasurer; James Renwick, Jr., Architect; Gilbert Cameron, Contractor.

Regents of the Institution.

Vice President of the United States; Roger B. Taney, Chief Justice of the United States; Walter Lenox, Mayor of the City of Washington; James A. Pearce, Member of the Senate of the United States; Jefferson Davis, Member of the Senate of the United States; James M. Mason, Member of the Senate of the United States; Henry W. Hillard, Member of the House of Representatives of the United States; Graham N. Fitch, Member of the House of Representatives of the United States; William T. Colcock, Member of the House of Representatives of the United States; Rufus Choate, Citizen of Massachusetts; Gideon Hawley, Citizen of New York;

William C. Preston, Citizen of South Carolina; Richard Rush, Citizen of Pennsylvania; Alexander D. Bache, Member of National Institute, Washington; Joseph G. Totten, Member of National Institute, Washington.

Members Ex-Officio of the Institution.

Honorary Members.

Robert Hare, Benjamin Silliman, Washington Irving.

The Bay Psalm Book.—The first book which issued from the press in this country, was "The Bay Psalm Book," printed at Cambridge, by Stephen Daye, in 1640. The authors of this version were the Rev. Richard Mather, of Dorchester, and Rev. Thomas Weld and Rev. John Eliot, of Roxbury. These men were good Hebrew scholars, and understood very well the meaning of the sacred Psalmist; but their poetical genius was not equal to their piety and their learning. Some of their verses were harsh, some very flat. Yet, notwithstanding the inelegance of the version, it was very popular for more than a century, and a large number of editions, with some alterations by President Dunster, were printed both in this country and in England. The first edition is very rare; only three perfect, and about the same number of imperfect, copies are known to be now extant.

A Costly Book.—The highest price eyer paid for a printed volume, was for Boccaccio's Decameron, at the sale of the Duke of Roxburghe's Library, in London, 1812. This celebrated volume was printed by Christopher Valdarfer, in 1471. The principal competitors at the sale, were the Marquis of Blandford and Earl Spencer. The former carried off the prize. His bid was £2,260, more than ten thousand dollars in our currency! The Roxburghe Club was formed to commemorate this sale.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE NEWSPAPERS OF EUROPE.—Issued at Paris, 169; London, 97; Berlin, 79; Leipsic, 68; St. Petersburg, 36; Vienna, 24; other places, 883; 1,356—whole number of newspapers in Europe. The "Constitutionel," published at Paris, has a list of 30,000 subscribers; the "Presse," 24,000; the "Patrie," 14,000; the "Journal des Debats," 11,000; the "Nationel," 5,000



The Boston Athenaum.

This beautiful building is situated in Beacon, between Bowdoin and Somerset streets. It stands back from the street ten feet. It is 114 feet in length, and 60 feet in height, built in the Palladian or later Italian style of architecture. The material of the front is the Paterson free-stone, of a light grey color.

The foundations are laid in the most substantial manner, supporting the first floor on groined arches of brick. The interior arrangements of the basement are most complete, both for warming and ventilating every room in the edifice, and for packing purposes, book-bindery, &c.

The outer doorway, 14 by 10, opens into an inner Vestibule or Rotundo, 32 by 28, ornamented with pillars, &c., in elegant style. From this, staircases and entrances lead to the different stories.

The first floor is occupied with Reading-Rooms, a Business-Apartment,

and a Hall, 80 feet in length, for Sculptures. A row of iron columns in the first and second stories renders additional support to the different floors.

The second story contains the Library-Rooms—two in front, with a spacious hall in the rear, extending the entire length of the building. The latter is finished in the Italian style, with great taste, the ceiling being decorated. An iron gallery, which is reached by five spiral staircases, borders the hall, which is divided by an archway into two copartments. Within the western division are arranged the Encyclopædias, Magazines, and other continuous works, in cases lining the walls; the other copartment, displaying the books in alcoves between the pillars. For convenience and beauty, this Library-Room is probably unequalled by any in the country. One of the front rooms is for the use of the Librarian; the other is designed for the display of miscellaneous collections, and will be furnished with galleries similar to those in the hall. These rooms together, can be made to accommodate 80,000 vols.

The third story is to be devoted to the exhibition of paintings, and is divided into four apartments, all lighted from the roof.

The corner-stone was laid April 27th, 1847. An appropriate address was delivered on the occasion, by the Hon. Josiah Quincy. This building, which has just been completed, reflects great credit upon the Architect, Mr. Edward C. Cabot. The land cost \$55,000, the building \$136,000. Total, \$191,000.

Among other interesting relics which are worthy of continued remembrance, is a collection of about 450 vols., bound, and between 800 and 1000 pamphlets, which formerly belonged to Washington. Perhaps 350 of these have his autograph, and others of his relatives. Congress having declined purchasing these, they were bought by a number of gentlemen, and presented to the Athenæum.

The Reading-Room is furnished with the best Literary and Scientific Journals of Europe and America.

The Sculpture Gallery contains casts of the most celebrated ancient statues, selected for this Institution by Canova, at the request of the donor, Mr. Augustus Thorndike. Among the works in marble, by Americau Artists, the statue of "Orpheus," by Crawford, and the "Backwoodsmau," by Dexter, deserve especial notice.

In the Gallery of Pictures, there are some excellent early copies of works of the great Masters; West's great picture of "Lear"; Trumbull's "Sortie de Gibralter"; and Stewart's original portrait of Washington, and of Mrs. Washington Here are also the celebrated unfinished picture, by Allston, "Belshazzar's Feast," several of his finished works, and many of his unrivalled sketches.

Prof. Charles Folsom fi'ls the office of Librarian. A complete catalogue of all the collections of the Athenæum is in preparation.

Each Proprietor has, besides his own share, two rights of admission, transferable. A life subscription is \$100. Annual subscribers pay \$10, but may not take out books. Certain public officers are entitled to free admission.

This Institution, which is the most extensive and successful of its kind in the country, owes its origin to a Literary Association which was formed in Boston in the early part of the present century, and known as "Anthology Club." A publication was conducted by them, entitled "Monthly Anthology." That Society established a Reading-Room and Library, which received so much favor from various quarters, that the proprietors, desirous of rendering their efforts more widely useful, transferred their property to Trustees, and applied, through them, to the Legislature of Massachusetts for an Act of Incorporation. This being granted them in 1807, under the name of "The Proprietors of the Boston Athenæum," one hundred and fifty shares were immediately sold at \$300 each. This amount, with the addition of \$1,800 obtained for 18 life subscribers at \$100 each, making in all \$46,800, constituted the capital of the Institution at that time. It has since been greatly increased by the sale of shares to the number, in all, of 708, and by the magnificent donations of James Perkins, Thomas H. Perkins, John Bromfield, Ambrose S. Curtis and others. At the present time, 1851, the property of the Athenæum, consisting of stocks, real estate, books, paintings and sculpture, at their actual cost, (without including in the estimate any of the numerous and very valuable gifts of books and works of art) amounts to over \$327,000.

The library contains over 50,000 volumes, more than 20,000 pamphlets, over 400 books of engravings, and a collection of coins which are extremely valuable.

It is particularly rich in works relating to the Fine Arts, and to Scientific subjects; and is well supplied in the various departments of Ancient and Modern Literature. The Transactions of the different Royal Societies, the French Institute; the Encyclopéqie Methodique, 258 vols., 4to; Buffon's Natural History, by Sonnini, 127 vols., 8vo., etc., occupy a prominent place in the Athenæum. The collection of American newspapers is extensive and valuable.

THE number of volumes published from July, 1850, to July, 1851, in the U. S., has been estimated by the publisher of the "Book Trade," to have been 1,298, embracing 213,049 pages, and forming 1,176 distinct works. The following is a Popular Classification:

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Novels and Tales, 249
                         Science, - - -
                                          50
                                                Law.
                                                                   43
                         Natural History,
Juveniles, - - - 52
                                           8
                                                Medicine, -
                                                                   47
Gift-Books, - - -
                  32
                                           8
                         Metaphysics, - -
                                                Agriculture, - -
                                                                   20
Poetry, Hymns, &c., 80
                         Mathematics,
                                          17
                                               Pract. Mechanics, -
Music Books, - -
                                               Fine Arts, - -
                         Classical, -
Theo. and Religion, 170
                         Dictionary & Lan. 13
                                               Architecture,
                                                                    8
History and Travels, 121
                        School Books, - 50
                                               Manners and Morals, 18
Biography, - - -
                        Orations, - -
                                          3
                                               Soial Economy, - - 15
Political,
          - - - 16
                                  - - - 11
                                               Miscellaneous. - - 48
                        Essays.
Commercial, - - 12
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THE LOGANIAN LIBRARY.

This collection, numbering 10,000 volumes of rare and valuable works, principally in the learned and foreign languages, owes its origin to the Honorable James Logan, the confidential friend and counsellor of William Penn, and, for some time President of the Council of the Province of Pennsylvania. Its foundation consists of a portion of his own private library, which, having collected at considerable expense, he was anxious should descend to posterity and continue usefully to extend to others the means of prosecuting those pursuits he had himself so successfully cultivated. With this view, he erected a suitable building, in Sixth street, near Walnut, for the reception of a library; and, by deed, vested it (with the books and certain rents, for the purpose of increasing their number and paying a librarian,) in trustees, for the use of the public forever. This deed he afterwards cancelled, and prepared but did not live to execute, another, in which some alteration was made in the funds and regulations. After his death, his children, William and James Logan, John Smith and Hannah, his wife, (she being the surviving daughter,) with commendable liberality, carried into effect the intentions of Mr. Logan.

The Loganian Library is attached to the Philadelphia, and by the rules of the founder is open to the public without charge, visiters being permitted either to read the books in the room or to take them home, leaving, in the latter case, a deposit in money to secure the return. The antiquity and learned character of the books, however, presents this privilege being available to the general reader. As a library of reference, however, it is invaluable. In early printed books, the classics, theology, French literature previous to the nineteenth century, and Spanish works on America, it is rich and curious. It also includes a valuable collection of books on natural history, late the library of Zaccheus Collins, Esq.

In 1831, about 200 volumes were destroyed by fire, besides an original bust of William Penn, and portrait of Jas. Logan. Also, a curious clock, made by a French artist, so constructed as to ring an alarm each day at sun-set. This clock was the only one of the kind in the world.

The woodcut represents a building somewhat antique in its style of architecture. A niche immediately over the front entrance is occupied by a statue of Franklin, executed in Italy, by Francis Lazzarini, being the first specimen of sculpture of so large a size ever imported to this country. The head is from the bust of Houdon, and is an excellent likeness. The figure is arrayed in Roman toga—the right arm resting on a pile of books, holding in the right hand an inverted sceptre, and in the left a scroll.

Or. Franklin remarks that "this was the mother of all the North American Subscription Libraries now so numerous."



New York Society Library.

EW YORK does not enjoy so high a reputation for devotion to literary aits as one or two of her sister cities; still, when we enumerate the numerous c and private schools within her limits, her Colleges and Institutions for higher professional studies, each possessed of the nucleus of a noble ry; when we number the different Literary and Scientific Societies, with ctions of more or less magnitude, we discover that the charge, so often reted, that "New York is indifferent to Learning and Science," is not well ded. There are, in the city of New York, seventeen libraries, numbering e aggregate over 200,000 volumes, besides all the small collections included e Schools and Academies; or, appertaining to particular Denominations Societies, which are not enumerated in any statistical work.

antiquity be a legitimate subject for gratulation, the New York Society ary can claim the first place among the city libraries of the United States, t was founded before any other, having originated in "The Public Library ew York," A. D. 1700. This library was established under the auspices of Bellamont, then Governor of the Colony, by his Chaplain, the Rev. John pe, who appears to have taken great interest in this early effort to aid the e of learning in New York; for, although, in the lapse of time, many lents and obstacles have intervened to destroy his collection; a considerable ber of Sharpe's books are still preserved in the Society Library. This ction was increased 1000 volumes in 1729, by the bequest of Rev. Dr. ington, of Eugland, but the library being under the charge of the City oration, soon fell into desuetude and decay, nor was any attention paid to still the middle of the last century (1754,) when it was revived by a new nization, ingrafted upon it—The Society Library—conducted by proposal gentlemen and the leading merchants of the day, who felt the want of

such an Institution. The efforts of this Society soon accumulated an important collection; but the war of the revolution interfered, and its consequences proved very destructive to the library. On the restoration of peace and order, the library was again re-invigorated, although but a handful of its books remained. Upon this slender basis, about the beginning of the present century, the Society Library, having erected a conspicuous and respectable building in Nassau st., resumed its operations. Here it continued to flourish until driven out by the business wants of the community, when the present spacious edifice was built.

The number of volumes, at present, is 35,000. Mr. P. J. Forbes is the Librarian.

Access to the privileges of the Society Library may be obtained by the payment of \$25 for a Right (which is transferable and inheritable like other property,) with an annual payment of \$6. Temporary subscribers are received at \$10 per annum, \$6 for half a year, or \$4 for a quarter.

The income of the Society is derived from the annual dues of members, sales of new Rights, rental of the parts of the building not used by the Society, &c., amounting, in all, to about \$10,000 annually. After paying interest on the building debt, there is sufficient remaining to conduct the Institution creditably; and increase it at the rate of 1,200 to 1,500 volumes yearly, besides supplying the Reading-Room abundantly with papers, periodicals, &c.

The building represented in the above cut, is 60 feet wide, and 100 feet in length. The facade on Broadway is of brown free-stone, and has an imposing effect. The property, including land, building, and furniture, cost the Society \$120,000, and was completed in 1840. Notwithstanding the recent erection of this building, the demand for places of business on Broadway, and the transmigration of the supporters of the Institution "up town," will probably soon induce the Trustees to abandon the present building for a new situation, where it is hoped they will be more efficiently seconded by the public in carrying on this excellent and indispensable establishment.

LEIPSIC TRADE SALES.—In the catalogue of the 521st Leipsic Book Fair, held in Easter, of the past year (1851), the books are classed not only alphabetically, according to the authors' names, but also systematically in the order of the subjects. This is a great improvement, which should be ingrafted on our American Catalogues. A person should be employed to arrange and classify the separate lists in this way, and should furnish also an index to the whole catalogue.

According to the list above mentioned, the number of books printed in Germany, in the six months since the last fair, amounted to 3,684, and 1,136 more are in the press.



The Astor Library.

This noble Institution was endowed by the will of John Jacob Astor, in a Codicil dated August 22, 1839. The following is an extract from the will:

- "Desiring to render a public benefit to the city of New York, and to contribute to the advancement of useful knowledge and the general good of society, I do, by this codicil, appropriate \$400,000, out of my residence estate, to the establishment of a Public Library in the city of New York; the said amount to be disposed of as follows:
 - "1. In the erecting of a suitable building for a public library.
- "2. In furnishing and supplying the same, from time to time, with books, maps, charts, models, drawings, paintings, engravings, casts, statues, furniture, and other things appertaining to a library for general use, upon the most ample scale and liberal character.

- "3. In maintaining and upholding the buildings and other property defraying the necessary expenses of taking care of the property, an accommodation of persons consulting the library.
- "The said sum shall be payable one-third in the year after my one-third in the year following; and the residue in equal sums, in t and fifth year of my decease.
- "The said library is to be accessible, at all reasonible hours and t general use, free of expense to persons resorting thereto, subject onl control and regulations as the trustees may from time to time exe establish for general convenience."

In the further provisions of the codicil, twelve trustees were appointed duct the affairs and to hold the property of the Institution. Also, the \$75,000 was appropriated to be expended in the erection of the built \$120,000 to he purchase of books and other objects in the establishme library, and the residue, after paying for the site, to be invested as a fur maintenance and gradual increase of the library. The following are the now in office: The Mayor of New York City, ex-officio, Washington William B. Astor, Daniel Lord, James G. King, Joseph G. Cogswell, B. Ruggles, Samuel Ward, Charles A. Bristed, John A. Dix, and The Taylor; Joseph Green Cogswell, LL. D., was elected Superintende is now on his second tour in Europe collecting books for the library. first mission, in 1848, he purchased about 20,000 vols., which he obtain exceedingly low rate, owing to the rare opportunities afforded by the d political condition of Europe. The library, on the 1st of Februar numbered 28,364 books, bound in 25,027 vols., the cost of which, i binding, exceeds \$35,000. The new edifice will probably be complet the library opened to the public, with at least 50,000 vols., in the sur 1852.

Dr. C. has printed an Alphabetical Index, (January, 1851) with she of the books now collected, as well as of the proposed accessions. The however, not published, and is only intended as a mere reference vothe use of the Trustees and the Librarian. Under its present management the Astor Library will doubtless give to the public our most useful catalogues ever published, as a key to one of the richest lib the country.

Dr. Cogswell has himself contributed to the library about 1000 bibliog works, considering that department "as the one of the first importance formation of a new and extensive library."

We now proceed to view the building, which is in course of complethe easterly side of Lafayette Place. The dimensions of the site were the founder of the library; and the edifice, 65 front by 120 in depth, co whole area.

Out of the thirty plans submitted for an edifice, there were none four

awarded to the two best plans. Under the direction, however, of Mr. awarded to the two best plans. Under the direction, however, of Mr. ander Saeltzer, from Berlin, who obtained the first premium, a plan was me which was finally adopted on the 10th of Dec., 1849. The Trustees, at first somewhat embarrassed with the limitation of the cost of the ling to \$75,000, have still succeeded in erecting a substantial and beautiful the line of the leight from foundation to roof is 70 feet. It is built in the style Royal Palaces of Florence, and is partly composed of brown cut stone, partly of brick. The truss-beams supporting the roof are made of cast-pipes, in a parabolic form. The following description is mainly from the parms of the "Journal of Commerce:"

The basement story is faced with high rustic ashler, projecting six inches, is imparting an extremely bold relief. The window-frames are placed near inside of the wall, forming deep recesses, in each to secure the same effect. See consist primarily of six, occupying the central portion and admitting at to the Library-Hall, placed three above and three below a given point; the per connected with the lower by columns supported by figures representing a genii of literature. The remaining windows are two in number, one on ish side of the entrance, and connected with the Lecture-Room.

The first floor contains the Lecture and Reading-Rooms, with accommodations 500 persons. The latter are located on either side of the building, and parated from the Library-Hall stairway at the front entrance by two corridors adding to the rear vestibule, and from thence to the Lecture-Room, &c.

The basement contains the Keeper's Rooms, cellars, coal vaults, furnaces for arming, &c. The floors are composed of richly wrought mosaic work, sating on iron beams.

A single flight of thirty-eight Italian marble steps, decorated on either side of the entrance by a stone sphinx, leads nearly to the centre of the Library-Hall in the second story. This is surrounded by fourteen brick piers, plastered and the second story. This is surrounded by fourteen brick piers, plastered and thinked in imitation of Italian marble, and supporting iron galleries midway etween the floor and the ceiling. By four iron spiral stairways from the orners of the room the main gallery is reached, and the intermediate gallery of lighter description is connected with the main gallery by eight staircases. The rhole are very ingeniously arranged, and appropriately ornamented in a style orresponding with the general architecture of the building. At an elecation of 51 feet above is the principal sky-light, 54 feet long by 14 broad, and formed of thick glass set in iron. Besides this, are circular side sky-lights of smaller dimensions. These, in connection with the side and rear vindows, furnish all needful light. Iron fret-work in different parts of the ceiling, secure a full ventilation. In the extreme rear are the two librarian's come, which are accessible by means of the main galleries.

Agricultural Literature in the United States.

AGRICULTURAL LITERATURE in the United States being in its infancy, it is to be judged of according to its age and the circumstances which surround it. All literature is rude, feeble, and lightly esteemed in the first stages of its existence. American writers on rural topics have been too deeply engaged in subduing the primitive forests, in constructing roads, dwellings, bridges, and canals in the wilderness, to make great progress in science and literature. The fact, however, should be stated to the credit of the plain working farmers of this country, that more copies of Liebig's Agricultural Chemistry have been purchased in the United States than in all Europe. Of all the agricultural journals published in Great Britain, the Gardners' Chronicle and Agricultural Gazette has the largest circulation. That paper, of Nov. 8, 1851, contains a list of stamps furnished by government during the year ending October 1st, 1851, by which it appears that the Chronicle and Gazette circulate 6,500 copies. The Mark Lane Express (agricultural and commercial) prints 4,967 copies; and the Gardners' and Farmers' Journal only 1,165 copies. The Genesee Farmer, which is the oldest agricultural paper published in the State of New York, has a circulation of over forty thousand; and there are five other periodicals in the State of the same character, which together probably circulate an equal number of copies. We are acquainted with the following works, devoted wholly or mainly to the diffusion of agricultural and horticultural knowledge. Monthlies: Genesee Farmer, 32 pages; published at Rochester, N. Y., by Daniel Lee. P. Barry, author of the "Fruit Garden," conductor of the Horticultural Department. Price fifty cents a year. The Cultivator, 32 pages; published at Albany, N. Y., by Luther Tucker. J. J. Thomas, conductor of the Horticultural Department. One dollar per annum. The American Agriculturist, of the same size and price of the Cultivator; published at New York, by C. M. Saxton. (This journal is to be discontinued after the close of the year 1851, and succeeded by another (The Plow) of the same character and size, at half the price, or 50 cents a year). The Working Farmer, by James Mapes; published in New York, at \$1 per annum. The Wool Grower, by T. C. Peters, Buffalo, N. Y., at 50 cents a year. The Pennsylvania Farm Journal, Laucaster, Pa.; by A. M. Spangler, \$1 a year. American Farmer, Baltimore, Md.; by Samuel Sands, at \$1 a year. Southern Planter, Richmond, Va.; by P. D. Bernard, at the same price. Southern Cultivator, Augusta. Ga.; by J. W. Jones, (\$1 a year.) The Soil of the South, Columbus, Ga.; by W. H. Chambers, at \$1 a year. The Planter and Farmer, Pendleton, S. C.; price \$1. Name of publisher not known. Western Agriculturist, Columbus, Ohio, by M. M. Marther, at \$1. Prairie Farmer, Chicago, Ill., by Wright & Haven, at \$1. Agricultural journals are published in Michigan, Indiana, Wisconsin and Missouri, but not having copies at hand we are unable to name them and their publishers. The Ohio Cultivator, New England, and the Jourpal of Agriculture, are semi-monthly papers. The last named is published in Boston, Mass., and edited by W. S. King, price \$2 a year. New England Farmer is also published in Boston, by Raynolds & Nourse, at \$1. The Ohio Caltivator is published at Columbus, Ohio, by M. B. Bateham, at \$1 a year.

The following papers are published weekly: Moore's Rural New Yorker, at Rochester, N. Y., at \$2; Boston Cultivator, at Boston, Mass., at \$2; Massachusetts Ploughman, at the same city and price; the Granite Farmer, Manchester, N. H., price \$1,50 a year; Maine Farmer, Augusta, Me., price \$2 a year. Besides these, there are three well conducted Horticultural Magazines, and hundreds of newspapers that contain articles on agriculture and horticulture, both original and selected. The New York, Massachusetts and Ohio State Agriculturul Societies publish each a respectable volume of their proceedings and those of county societies. The Patent Office also gets out an annual volume on agricultural statistics, and rural affairs in general. There are periodicals partly devoted to agriculture and partly to manufactures and mechanical arts. "The Plough, the Loom and the Anvil," is of the first named character; and the Farmer and Mechanic is of the latter description. Both published in New York city.

But few Americans have turned their attention to the writing of original works on agriculture. In fruitculture, horticulture, landscape gardening, rural architecture, sheep husbandry, the management of poultry and honey bees, books of considerable merit have been produced. Journals and the reports of societies absorb a large share of the rural literature of the country. In the aggregate, these are already quite voluminous, and every year adds more to the mass than to the intrinsic value of agricultural reading. Colleges and schools for teaching all the natural, physical and mechanical sciences that appertain to agriculture, are greatly needed to educate competent instructors in this important profession. Hundreds are now attempting to teach sciences and arts which they themselves do not understand. Such instruction is hardly worth having, however gratuitously offered.

The demand for good books by the tens of thousands of youth who are anxious to study agriculture as illustrated by geology, chemistry, physiology, mechanics, zoology and meteorology, will soon produce them. No other pursuit requires a wider range of science, or more profound investigations to develop its principles. Comparative anatomy and entomology have a direct bearing on the improvement of domestic animals, and the protection of crops from the ravages of insects. It is fortunate for the progress of science, that the industrial operations which give employment to two-thirds of the people of the United States, have so intimate a connection with nearly all of the more important branches of scientific research. Studies commenced with an eye to profit, will be pursued through life from feelings of taste, and a sincere attachment to the charms of rural literature. No one need be informed of the inviting themes presented by well-cultivated, and skillfully-managed farms, with their groves, meadows, fields of grain, herds and flocks, brooks,

orchards and gardens, to such as are gifted with powers of description, and appreciate the beautiful in nature and art. Agriculture, horticulture, forest culture, and the rearing of domestic animals, conducted by the light of science, are beginning to develop a new literature, more intellectual, more refining and elevating than any hitherto known to the industrial classes; and, perhaps I may say, known to any class in society. It must be confessed that literary characters have not found it profitable to pay much attention to science in writing for the million. The masses are too sparingly educated, too ignorant of the great truths revealed by the labors of naturalists, chemists, geologists and other cultivators of science, for works that unite high attainments in the study of natural phenomena with pure literature, to be popular in any country. This remark, however, will apply more truthfully to the first, than to the second half of the present century. It is one of the distinguishing features of the age which we live in, that both literature and science have wisely cast off their pride of exclusiveness, and extended a cordial welcome to all mankind, rising under the happy influences of universal education. comprehensive system of human progress, rural literature and rural science are destined to perform the most important functions; and no reasonable pains should be spared by statesmen and philanthropists to encourage literary efforts in this direction.

The Hewspapers of the Trade.

 $\mathbf{T}_{\rm HIS}$ list only includes those Periodicals which have published lists of new Books and general Literary Intelligence.

In former years it was certainly difficult to establish any exclusively Literary Paper on a firm basis, but within the few years past we have had numerous attempts to spread abroad additional intelligence of a Literary character, by means of Publishers' circulars, &c.

These have all proved more or less successful, at least, in awakening the attention of the Trade to the fact that such Periodicals ought to be sustained. In fact, there is no reason why there should be such continued apathy among Booksellers and others in regard to the preservation and publishing of records which shall serve their present interests and be of use in future time. It will be found, however, that those publications of this class which will prove most successful, will most thoroughly identify themselves with the interests of the Trade, and will spare no efforts nor expense in producing a sheet fully worthy of the attention and aid of the Literary Public.

The first publication which aimed to benefit Booksellers, directly, was "The Booksellers' Advertiser." 4to. Edited by Mr. G. P. Putnam. Twelve monthly numbers of this periodical were published during the year 1835, in N. Y. Subscription per annum, \$1,00.

Wiley & Putnams' Literary News-Letter, (N. Y.) 8vo. A monthly list of new publications and Literary Intelligence. Commenced Sept., 1841, Completed January, 1847.

Appleton's Literary Bulletin, (N. Y.) 8vo. A monthly paper similar to the above. Commenced June, 1843. Completed Jan., 1847. The "Bulletin," and "News-Letter," above, were discontinued on the publication of the "Literary World," which was established at the joint expense of these two firms.

The Southern Advertiser. Published by J. B. Steel, of New Orleans. Folio. Commenced in 1843.

Norman's Monthly Supplement. Published in New Orleans. Commenced Jan., 1846. 8vo.

Literary World. Commenced February 6th, 1847. Published weekly. Conducted successively by E. A. Duyckinck, Charles Fenno Hoffman and Messrs. E. A. & G. L. Duyckinck. 4to. Subscription \$3,00 per annum.

The Book Trade. A Monthly Record of New Publications. Published by H. Wilson, N. Y. Commenced August, 1850. 4to. Subscription 25 cts. per annum.

Taylor's Literary Bulletin. Monthly. Published by H. Taylor, Baltimore. Commenced Oct., 1850.

John Wiley's Literary Telegraph, and Monthly List of New Publications. American and Foreign, with Announcements, &c. No. 1, Dec., 1850. Completed Sept., 1851. New York. Subscription, 25 ets. per annum.

H. W. Derby & Co.'s Western Literary Advertiser, and Record of American and Foreign Publications. Semi-Monthly. 18 pages. 50 cts. per annum. Commenced April 1, 1851. Published at Cincinnati.

Norton's Literary Advertiser. Published monthly, by Charles B. Norton, N. Y., No. 1, published May, 1851, comprising 4 pages. The Nov. number contains 20 pages imp. 4to. Subscription \$1,00 per annum. Circulation, 4000.

Semi-Monthly Advertiser. Published on 1st and 15th of every month, by E. H. Pease & Co, Albany. Commenced May 15th, 1851.

First English Book Sale, 1676.—"The first book auction in England of which we have any record, was the library of Lazarus Seaman, D. D., and sold by William Cooper, Bookseller, in Warwick-lane, London. Prefixed to the catalogue there is an address, which commences thus: "Reader, it hath not been usual here in England, to make sale of books by way of auction, or who will give most for them; but it having been practiced in other countries, to the great advantage of both buyers and sellers, it was, therefore, conceived (for the encouragement of learning,) to publish the sale of these books in this manner of way."

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A Catalogue of Catalogues.

Indispensable to the Bookseller and Book-Collector.

I.-Priced Lists.

The London Catalogue.—A new general Catalogue of all Books, Atlases, Charts, &c., in the United Kingdom, from 1816 to 1851, with their sizes, prices, publishers' name, and the dates of works of Voyage and Travel, has just been issued.

It includes also those American works sent to London in quantities, and some new books published while the work was in press. This Catalogue, though it contains about 442,000 distinct titles, is still nothing more than an Index, as it presents only a meagre outline of the Titles, and consequently of the nature of the works. But this difficulty will be met by the publication of a thoroughly classified index. The Smiths, Joneses, and Browns in this edition are re-added in a duplicate list at the end of the vol., for the purpose of facilitating investigation. Works, also, which were formerly published only in the List of Serials, as Murray's Family Library, &c., are now distributed again throughout the Catalogue under the authors' name. This Catalogue is not to be re-published again with a list extending so many years back. Those who have never attempted to compile a Catalogue, cannot conceive of the stupendous labor which this publication has cost. R. 8vo. Price \$7 50.

Bibliotheca Americana.—Compiled by Orville A. Roorbach. This work is at present comprised in 2 vols., roy. 8vo, \$5. This Catalogue differs from most others in its arrangements, most of the books being placed under two or more different letters, including the initial of the Author's name, and the title of the book. This was the first attempt at anything like a full list of modern American books, and it has been met with a great degree of favor. This edition, however, being necessarily imperfect, Mr. R. is busily engaged in rewriting the whole of the work, improving it in many of its details. This corrected edition will be ready next spring.

Appleton's Library Manual.—Containing a Catalogue Raisonné of over 1,200 works in every department, in all modern languages. This is an exceedingly valuable compilation, from the various English and foreign catalogues, up to the time of its publication, (1847). It is arranged according to subjects alphabetically, with index of names. The classification is almost too precise for general use, thus color (in painting) is at pp. 106, and painting at pp. 271, etc. The prices are in sterling currency and forms, with the exception of American books, which are scarcely represented in this volume. 8vo. pp. 450. \$1.

Putnam's Book-buyer's Manual.—Comprising foreign and American books. with classified index of subjects. This is rather a Book-seller's Manual than a Book-buyer's. It contains the most important modern works, with dates of publication. 8vo. pp. 235. 50 cents. (N. Y., 1850.)

James Eastburn & Co., of 108 Broadway, (about 1823,) published a Catalogue of choice and rare editions; the first important Catalogue issued in this country. 8vo.

G. & C. & H. Carvill's Catalogue, 1830, rare and valuable in Theology, Classics, Science, and Miscellaneous Literature, in the Ancient and Modern Languages. 8vo., comprising over 3,200 titles, classified. pp. 146.

A second part was afterwards published, of about the same size.

Wiley and Putnam, in 1844, published an important general Catalogue. It comprised modern English, French, and American books. Part 1, (now out of print) contains "Science, Natural History, Useful and Fine Arts." Part 2, "History, Biography, General Literature, Classics, &c. Each of these above divisions judiciously classified, with index. (Part 3, Theological, never published.) Part 4, Medical Sciences, with very excellent annotations from the different reviews, alphabetically arranged, with classified index. 8vo., pp. 303. Gratis.

Little and Brown, (Boston,) a Catalogue of choice English and Classical Books, ancient and modern, with dates. pp. 123, 8vo. Gratis. 1847.

John Penington, (Philad.,) has published two Catalogues of "Curious, Valuable, and Useful Books." pp. 104, 42.

W. Gowans, (N. Y.,) has issued numerous small Catalogues, principally of old and scarce books. They are particularly valuable in American History and Biography. Also, "Bartlett & Welford's" lists.

Harpers' Illustrated Catalogue of their own publications is in itself a key to a good library.

** In addition to the above, the principal Booksellers in the U.S. have ssued smaller Catalogues of their own Publications and Miscellaneous stock.

Mr. John Wiley will issue, soon after the first of January, a classified list of books published during 1851.

Hector Bossange, (Paris,) Catalogue Général.—In 4 vols., royal 8vo., with 3 Supplements. This is an extremely full and reliable Catalogue, principally of French publications. The different divisions of the Catalogue are also published in vols. separately.

- Of Law Catalogues, the following are valuable: —T. & J. W. Johnson's Law Catalogue, 1850. 12mo., pp. 196. And, Little & Brown's, Boston.
- J. B. Baillière, Paris, (Agency in New York,) Général des Livres de Medicine, Chirurgie, Anatomie, Chimie, Physique, &c. Français et Etrangers. 8vo., pp. 280. Paris.
- R. Garrigue, (N. Y.,) German, French, and Scandinavian books. 12mo., pp. 97. 1850.

Bohn's Guinea Catalogue.—This mammoth list was completed in 1841. consists of 1,952 pages, 8vo. Price £1 1s. With extensive Biographical

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and Literary Notices, under every department. It is now republishing in smaller vols. Vols. 1 and 2 out. The numbering of each title in regular order, renders it convenient for reference. A very complete index is attached.

II.-Bibliographical.

We shall only mention the more important works, which have been published of late years, and which are generally accessible.

Lowndes's Bibliographer's Manual of English Literature. In 4 vols, 8vo. London: Pickering. This presents, in alphabetical order, the author's name, an account of rare and useful books which have been published in or relating to Great Britain and Ireland, and the prices at which they have been sold in the present century.

Brunet's Librarie Manuel, et de l'Amateur Livres; containing a new Dictionary of rare books, &c., published in France, England, and other countries, with notes in French; containing also a Catalogue Raisonné. 5 vols. Paris, 1842.

Ebert's General Bibliographical Dictionary, translated from the German. In 4 vols., 8vo. Oxford, 1847. Ebert being the Librarian to the King of Saxony, had access to the riches of the Royal Libraries, and in these volumes presents a full view of the early Continental printing.

[Watts' Bibliotheca Britannica; or a general index of British and Foreign Literature. 4 vols., 4to. The first published general Bibliographical Dictionary, and an exceedingly important one, though its price may place it beyond the reach of many.]

Rich's Bibliotheca Americana.—A Catalogue of books relating principally to America, from 1800 to 1844. 3 vols., 8vo. Rich & Sons, London.

The Literature of Local American History, with a Catalogue of works. 8vo., pp. 200. By Hermann E. Ludewig. R. Craighead, New York.

Ternavx's Bibliothèque Americaine. 8vo. Paris, 1832.

Henry Stevens, of London, is engaged in preparing a Catalogue of American books, which will be fuller than any now published.

III.—American Libraries. LATE AND IMPORTANT CATALOGUES.

Prof. Jewett, in the fifth Annual Report of the Smithsonian Institution, has submitted the following plan for the formation of "A General Catalogue of American Libraries:"

- 1. The Smithsonian Institution to publish Rules for the preparation of Catalogues.
- 2. To request other Institutions intending to publish catalogues of their books to prepare them according to these rules, with a view to their being stereotyped under the direction f the Smithsonian Institution.

- 3. The Smithsonian Institution to pay the whole extra expense of stereotyping, or such part thereof as may be agreed on.
- 4. The stereotyped titles to remain the property of the Smithsonian Institution.
- *** These stereotyped titles are a new invention. In the former mode of stereotyping, the plates become entirely useless when, on account of accessions to the Library, the new catalogue is undertaken, but by the means of moveable stereotyped titles, both the cost of setting up type and stereotyping the old list again will be avoided. These additional titles may be inserted in their proper alphabetical order. The plan will also do away with the necessity of supplements to Catalogues which are so generally issued by Libraries.

For all the titles that are common to different Libraries, the expense of the preparation of the titles, of composition and revision would, of course, be considerably lessened. This method can also be adopted by means of the electotrype process.

- 5. Every Library uniting in this plan, to have the right of using all the titles in the possession of the Institution as often as desired for the printing of its own catalogue; by the Smithsonian Institution paying only the expense of making up the pages of the press-work, and of distributing the titles to their proper places.
- 6. The Smithsonian Institution to publish, as soon as possible, and at stated intervals, General Catalogues of all Libraries coming into this system.

American Antiquarian Society, Catalogue, (Worcester, Mass.,) royal 8vo., pp. 532, 1837; comprising mostly works on American History and Antiquities, early Printed Books, &c. The Newspapers and Almanacs constitute the most curious and full collection in America.

Andover Theological Seminary, (Andover, Mass.,) 8vo. and suppt., pp. 598, 1838-49.

A very elaborate catalogue.

Brown University, 8vo., pp. 560, 1843, called "The Model Catalogue," as regards scientific arrangement. Authors' names are alphabetically placed, with alphabetical and analytical index. A suppt., now preparing, will equal in size the original.

This Institution, in 1843, purchased a complete set of the "Allgemeine Literatur Zeitung," 134 vols., 4to.; Guizot & Petitot's Historical Memoirs of France, 162 vols., 8vo.; Allgemeine Deutsche Biblothek, 139 vols., 8vo.; Il Vaticano, 8 vols., folio, and other splendid works.

Harvard College, 5 vols., and suppt.; 1830-46.

These embrace the Library, Maps, &c., of the Law, Public, Medical and Theological Departments.

Among the most valuable donations were those of "The Boylston Medical Library;"
"The Warden Collection of Bibliotheca Americana," and that of Thos. Palmer, of Boston,
which included "The Antiquities of Herculaneum and Piranesi's view of Rome," 20 vols.,
folio, besides 1,200 other valuable works.

Library of Congress. 8vo. pp. 747, 1850, and Annual Suppts. A new Catalogue is in press. Works are classed according to Baconian System.

Consisting of Miscellaneous and Law Books.

The original Library of about 3000 Vols., containing many works relating to our early history, which can never be replaced, was burnt by the British Army, during the last war. This disastrous occurrence took place April 24, 1814. Copyright books are deposited in this Library.

Library Society, Charleston. 2 Vols. and Suppt. 8vo. pp. 542. 1846-7. These have no uniform arrangement.

Mercantile Library Association, (N. Y.) 8vo. pp. 412. \$1,00. 1851. Catalogue of a popular collection, prepared with great care by the present Librarian. Names in alphabetical order, with classified Index.

- N. Y. Society Library, (N. Y.) 8vo. pp. 603. 1850. The laborious work of Mr. Forbes, the Librarian. Alphabetical and Analytical arrangement.
- N. Y. State Library, (Albany.) In 7 parts, 8vo. pp. 1058. 1850. Alphabetical and classified. Comprising Law, State Papers, and Miscellaneous Books.

From 1818 to 1849 the appropriations of Legislature were over \$62,000. The estimated value of donations \$9,500. This Library has also a collection made by Mr. D. B. Warden.

Philadelphia Library Co. and Loganian Library. 2 Vols. 8vo. pp. 1500. 1836-7.

This catalogue is alphabetically classified, very nearly after Brunet's system, with an Alphabetical Index. [See description of this Library, p. 32.]

Yale College. 3 Vols. pp. 694. 1823-46.

This includes the Libraries of Societies connected with the College. "The Linonian Society," the "Brothers in Unity," and the "Calliopean Society."

Prof. Kingsley purchased, in Europe, in 1845, a very valuable collection of works which were added to the Library.

Smithsonian Institution. Annual Reports contain lists of Books, Maps, Charts, Music, &c., delivered to the Librarian of this Institution. These are valuable for reference, as they give the full titles of such publications.

IF Mr. Charles B. Norton is the appointed agent of the Smithsonian Institution for the reception of Copyright Books in New York. By Act of Congress, it is necessary, to secure the copyright of any work, that a copy of the work should be deposited, within three months after publication, in both the Smithsonian and the Library of Congress. By the means of these Annual Reports, the titles of copyright publications are distributed throughout the country to the most important libraries. Publishers should avail themselves of this important means of increasing the sale of their works. Mr. Norton will receive publications for either of these Institutions.

Mecrology.

Yet once more, O ye laurels, and once more Ye myrtles brown, with ivy never sere, I come to pluck your berries harsh and crude; And, with forc'd fingers rude, Shatter your leaves before the mellowing year: Bitter constraint, and sad occasion dear, Compels me to disturb , our season due: For Lycidas is dead, dead ere his prime, Young Lycidas, and hath not left his peer: Who would not sing for Lycidas? he knew Himself to sing, and build the lofty rhyme.—MILTON.

Comprising a list of the distinguished Literary Men who have died during that year, with short notices of their principal publications. [Abbreviations, p.—published. w. wrote. b.—born.]

Dr. Linck, Prof. of Botany, (Berlin,) p. many valuable works on Natural Jan. 1. Science; b. 1770.

Science; D. 1710.

6. Prof. T. S. Davis, F. R. S., &c., of the Royal Academy, (Woolwich.)

6. Dr. Lauret, (Nancy.) p. works on Mental Derangement.

Alexander Macdonald, (Edinburgh.) The renowned Antiquary Editor of several vols. of "Maitland Club," and w. many of the notes in "Waverley Novels."

15. James Wallace, D. D., (Columbia, S. C.) Prof. of Mathematics, w. "Treatise on Globes and Practical Astronomy," and Scientific contributions to So. Quarterly

"22. Rev. Walter Colton. While in the Theological Seminary at Andover, Mr. C. was actively engaged in literary pursuits. A Sacred Drama, written by him, was recited by the Students, and he delivered an admirable Poem on a Commencement occasion. Resigning his Professorship in 1828, he took charge of the "American Spectator," weekly; afterward of the "Phila North American." In 1830, he became Chaplain of the U. S. Navy, and sailed successively to the West Indies, Mediterranean, and the Pacific. During these voyages he had ample opportunities for gaining information respecting those different countries, and storing up materials for the publications which he afterwards issued. While at Monterey, he was made Alcalde, and he established the first Newspaper ever printed in California.

Besides his contributions to public journals, under the signature Bertram, he p. "Prize Essay on Duelling," "Discussion of Genius of Coleridge," "Moral Power of the Poet, Painter and Sculptor contrasted," "Three years in California," "A visit to Constantinople, Athens, and the Aegesn," "Deck and Port," and the following, edited by Rev. H. T. Cheever—"Ship and Shore," "Poems," "Land and Lee," and "Miscellanies of Literature and Religion."

John James Audubon, (Minniesland, near N. Y.,) the great American Ornithologist, was born at New Orleans, May 4th, 1780, of French parentage. He early gist, was born at New Orleans, May 4th, 1780, of French parentage. He early developed his remarkable love for natural objects. In his sixteenth year he was sent to Paris, where he received his education. While there, the revolutionary painter, David, was his teacher in drawing. On his return he received a farm from his father, situated near Phila. Entering into business, he did not meet with much success, and ten years after he went to Henderson, Ky., where he was one of the first settlers. In this western country he could more readily gratify his taste, and add to his collection of drawings. About this time (In 1810) he was visited by Alexander Wilson, the author of "American Ornithology," who was astonished to find a collection of drawings which surpassed his own. In 1811 visited by Alexander Wilson, the author of "American Ornithology," who was astonished to find a collection of drawings which surpassed his own. In 1811 Mr. A. went to Florida, where he was busily engaged in gathering materials for his future works, though he had not at this time any idea of publishing them. Here he met with a great misfortune in the destruction of the better part of his collection, by a couple of rat-marauders; who domesticated themselves in his box of drawings. Nothing daunted, however, by this disastrous event, he betook himself again to his labors, and succeeded in replacing his loss within three years. In Phila, 1824, he met Lucien Bonaparte, by whom he was advended to publish his work. After spending some time at the year was advised to publish his work. After spending some time at the great lakes, he went to England in 1826, where, in 1830, he published the first vol. of his mammoth work, containing 100 plates, elephant folio, with figures the size of life. He obtained 175 subscribers at \$1000 each. From this time until a late period, he made frequent excursions into the forest regions of his native country, gaining probably a more intimate knowledge of the habits of the feathered tribes, than any other person in the world. In pursuit of his darling object, he exhibited an energy of character which has never been surpassed.

- Prof. Anstey, formerly connected with St. Mary's Coll. at Wilmington, died a Feb. victim of intemperance. His acquirements in classical knowledge were extensive; w. "Elements of Literature."
 - Charles Coquerell w. "History of English Literature," a "History of the
 - **History of the French Churches," &c.

 **John Pys Smith, D. D., F. R. S., (Guilford, Eng..) w. "Scripture Testimony to Mes-ish," "Scripture and Geology," &c. In 1801. at the age of twenty-five, he became Theological Principal of Homerton Coll.; b. 1775.
- "23. Joanna Baillie, (Hampsted, near Lond.n.) Author of some noble drames and beautiful songs. Her principal work is "The Plays of the Passions," each passion of the mind being the subject of a Tragedy or Comedy. Complete works just p. in one vol. 8vo.; b. 1762.
- Capt. J. D. Cunningham, (India.) son of Allan Cunningham. Author of "History of the Sikhs,"—b. 1812.

 Mordecai Mannaseh Noah, (N. Y..) the well known Editor of the "Sunday Mar. 2. Moracca: Mannasen Noan, (N. Y...) the well known Editor of the "Sunday Messenger and Times," formerly connected with the "National Advocate," "Enquirer," "Courier and Enquirer," "Evening Star." "Sun," and "Morning Star." Also he p. "Travels in Europe and Northern Africa," "Essays on Domestic Economy," numerous Plays, &c. He held, at different periods, many public offices. At one time he issued a call to the Jewish brethren to assemble at Niagara Falis, to re-build Jeru-alem on Grand Island.

 Henri Delatouche,—w. "Tragoletta," "Aymar," "Letters de Clement XIV.,
 - etc ." &c.
 - John Louis Yanoski.—Writer of Prize Essays and Contributions on Historical Subjects, and chief Editor of "Nonvelle Revue Encyclopedique,"—b. 1813.

 - 12. M. Maillau.—French Dramatist; b. 1806.
 14. Ferdinand Gottheif Hand, Prof of Greek at University of Jena. Chief work was "Esthetik der Foukunst."—b. 1786.
 17. Prof. Hans Christian Oested.—Danish Naturalist; w. works on Natural Science
 - and communications to learned Societies, having made, in the course of his studies, many important discoveries in Chemistry, Magnetism, &c.

 - M. Jules Martien, (Paris,) w. "Christianity in America."

 Gov. Isaac Hill, (Washington,) Editor of "Farmer's Monthly Visitor," and for twenty years of the "New Hampshire Patriot." This last was printed on the old Rammage-press which had been used in 1764 for the Conn. Courant; b. 1783.
 - Samuel Farmar Jarvis, D. D., (Middletown, Ct.) Being one of the most learned Divines in the Episcopal communion, he was appointed in 1833 the Historiographer of the Church. He p. a Chronological Introduction in 1845, and vol. 1 of the History shortly before his death. (An account of his library sale is given
 - in another place.)

 John S. Skinner, (Baltimore.) Editor of the "Plough, Loom, and Anvil," and formerly of the "Turf Register." Also, author of several books on Agricultural
- Subjects. Died by falling into the basement of the P.O.

 Apl. 8. M. Benchot, Superior of the Library of the National Assembly. Contributed largety to the "Blographie Universelle," &c., b. 1777.

 "30. Hon. E. J. Roberts, (Detroit,) Editor "Cortland Co. Courier," and "Craftsman,"
- a Masonic paper; b. 1796

 Philip Hone, (N. Y.) A New York Merchant. One of the earliest and best friends of the Mercantile Library Association, and other Public Institutions of May 8.

 - iline City; b. 1781.

 "10. Richard Phillips, Chemist, w. Papers on Chemistry, Geology, &c.; b. 1776.

 "15. Dr. Samuel G. Morton, (Phila.), Author of "Crania Americana," and "Crania Ægyptiaca," "Inquiry into the Distinct Character of the Races of North America," besides numerous communications to Scientific journals. His Craniological Museum was the most important one in the world, surpassing in extent the united collections of half of Europe.
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 Andre Carlsson, (Stockholm, Bishop of Calmar; w. numerous works on Philology, Theology and Jurisprudence; b. 1757.

 Mrs. Thomas Sheridan, (London.) w. "Curwell," and "Aims and Ends."

 Thomas Wright Hill, (Eng.) Introduced a new system of Education, author of "Plans for Government and liberal Instructions of Boys in large numbers, drawn from Experience.
 - Sir J. Graham Dalzell, Bort., (Edinburgh.) Author of "Remarkable Animals of
- Scotland," 4to. various articles in "Ency. Britannica." &c.

 July 6. Dr. D. M. Moir, Poet-Contributor to Blackwood's Mag. over the sig. A. Also,
 w. "Sketches of the Poetical Literature of the past half Century," "Outlines of
 - Ancient History of Medicine," &c.; b. 1799.

 Rev. John Lingard, D. D., Roman Catholic Historian, w. "History of England," and of the "Anglo-Saxon Church," &c.; b. 1771.
 - Baron de Ledeirir, (Munich,) Russian Botanist .- w. "Russian Flora." b. 1786.

"29. Gen. H. A. S. Dearbora, (Portland,) w. "The Commerce and Navigation of the Black Sea," 3 vols. 8vo, "The International Improvements and the Commerce of the West," and "Lives of Com. Bainbridge, and Eliot the Apostle." b. 1783.

Dr. Julius, (London,) w. a work on Prisons and Criminal Law in the U. S.

Aug. 1. Harriet Lee, (Bristol, Eng.,) w. "The Canterbury Tales," 5 vols., and several Novels and Plays.

Prof. Lorenz Oken, (Zurich.) Naturalist and Metaphysician. Author of about fifteen works on Comparative Anatomy, Natural History, &c., besides a perio

dical publication called Isis; b. 1779.

9. Rev. C. Gutzlaff, (Canion.) The Chinese Missionary, p. very extensively. He was indefangable in translating the several Books of the Bible, and w. numerous Historical and Miscellaneous works, and forty tracts, in different languages. He also edited various Periodicals.

Prof. H. E. G. Paulus, D. D. (Heidelberg.) His p. works numbered between thirty and forty, and he edited three Periodicals; b. 1760.

" 16. Rev. Dr. Stephin Olin, Pres. of Wesleyan University, (Middletown, Ct.,) w.

"Travels in the East," and several Discourses; b. 1797.

John Gottfried Gruber. (Hall.) Prof. of Philosophy. Editor of "Universal Encyclopædia, 109 vols.," and numerous works on History, Mythology, &c.; b. 1774.

Judge Beverley Tucker, (Winchester, Va.,) Prof. of Law, and half-brother to John Randolph; author of "The Partisan Leader," "George Balcombe," and various articles in Magazines; b. 1784.

Sept. 2. William Nicol, F. R. S. E., (Edinburgh,) w. articles in Edinburgh Philosophical Journal; b. 1768.

Prof. John Kidd, M. D., (Oxford,) w. the Bridgwater Treatise "On the adaptation of external nature to the physical condition of Man." He was the Librarian of "Radcliffe Library."

"10. Rev. Thomas H. Gallaudet, LL. D., (Hartford,) w. many works for the instruction of the Young, and a vol. of "Sermons preached in Paris." Dr. G. was the first to instruct a deaf mute in this country; b. 1787.

"11. Rev. Sylvester Graham, Founder of the Veg. tarian System; w. "Lectures on the Science of Human Lite," and "Lectures to Young Men."
"14. Jumes Fenimore Cooper, the American Novelist, at Otsego Hull, Cooperstown, act 62. Born at Burlington, N. J., on the 15th Sept., 1789. He was the son of Judge Cooper, a wealthy citizen of Otsego Co., N. Y., from whom Cooperstown and the cooperstown of t received its name. Mr. C. entered Yale College in 1802, the youngest student in the institution. (being only thirteen years old) and notwithstanding his youth, bid fair to obtain a high place among his class-maies. About this time, however, his roving inclination led him to abandon his study of books for the more fuscinating study of Ocean-life. In 1805 he obtained a midshipman's warrant in the During the six years that he remained in this position he made himself acquainted with the nautical routine, that in after time he was enabled so fully and minutely to picture, in such glorious colors, the scenes through which the sailor has to pass. This accueate knowledge of sea faring life added to the force of his native genius, prepared him to write as no other mun has written in this peculiar department of literature.

On the lat of January, 1811, he was married to Miss De Lancey, of Western, N. Y., and removed to Cooperstown, after producing his first novel, called

Precaution, which did not meet with great success.

In 1826, after the appearance of "The Lust of the Mohicans," he sailed for Europe, remaining several years. While there, he did not forget his native country, for he had occasion to vindicate the character of his countrymen, which he did in a volume published at that time. In his "Notions of the Americans," he evidently conveyed some new ideas to the foreign mind, which seem to have had a good effect; for, when he returned to Europe again, he found public opinion somewhat changed on that subject. Mr. C. himself was a noble specimen of an American Citizen, and in the perusal of his works we certainly discover that we are not quite destitute of a national literature.

List of Mr. Cooper's works in the order of their publication-comprising forty .

one distinct works:

Precaution. The Spy.

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-The Last of the Mohicans. The Prairie. The Red Rover

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The Water-Witch. Notions of the Americans, The Bravo. The Heidenmauer. The Headsman of Berne. A Letter to his Countrymen. The Monikins (A Polical Satire. Gleanings in Europe.

1835-The American Democrat, or Hints on

1836-Sketches in Switzerland, 2 series, each 2 vols.

1839-The History of the Navy of the U. S., 2 vols. 8vo. Homeward Bound, and Home as

Found. The Pathfinder.

Mercedes of Castile, (a Romance.)

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he American Democrat, or Hints on Social and Civil Relations in the 1843—The Battle of Lake Eric, or Ans. to U. S. of America.

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Affoat and Ashore.
Miles Wallingford, (a Sequel to above)
1845—Satanstoe, a Tale of the Colony.

Chainbearer.

1746—The Redskins.
1847—The Crater, or Vulcan's Peak. Oak Openings, or the Bee Hunter. 1848—Jack Tier, or the Florida Reef. 1849—The Sea Lious, or the Lost Sealers. 1850—The Ways of the Hour.

A Comedy,

He had also a work in progress called "Men of Manhattan, or the Social History of New York," which was to have been issued this fall.

A meeting of Literary men and others was held on the 25th of Sept., at the City Hall, for the purpose of rendering due honor to the memory of the deceased. Washington Irving was elected Pres. of the meeting, and Fitz Greene Halleck and R. W. Griswold, Secretaries. A Committee of the principal Literary men were appointed to report such measures as should be most fitting as a demonstration of respect.

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Letters from W. Irving, W. C. Bryant, Bishop Doane, George Bancroft,
J. P. Kennedy, C. J. Ingersoll, G. P. R. James, and E. Everett. Dr. J. W.
Francis, Dr. Hawks, and Rev. S. Osgood made speeches at the Historical Society,
when appropriate resolutions were adopted. Mr. Irving has proposed that
a statue shall be placed either in N. Y. or Washington. This plan will probably
be shortly carried into execution. A Public Discourse on the Life and Genius of

Mr. Cooper is to be delivered in Dec., at Tripler Hall, by W. C. Bryant.

Rev. J. H. Hotchkiss, (Prattsburgh, N. Y.,) w. "History of Western Churches," 8vo. He had, just before death, preached his half-century Sermon; b. 1780.

Brig. Gen. Henry Whiting, w. Poetry, and contributed to North American

Rev., &c.

19. Prof. Humbert, (Geneva, Distinguished Orientalist.

22. Mrs. Mary Martha Sherwood, (Twickenham, Eng.) The chief of her popular works were "Little Henry and Bearer," "Lady of the Manor," "Stories on Church Catechism." "The Fairchild Family." b. 1775.

Dr. Thomas Wingard. His library, containing over 34,000 vols., with large collection of Coins, Medals, &c, are devised to the University of Upsal.

Martin Wilcox, Prof. of Mathematics in Cleveland University.

H. P. Brrell. (Smyrna,) w. "Coins of King of Cyprus," and various articles on "Numismatics." Oct. 2.

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on "Numismatics."

8. George Stephens, (Camden Town, Eng.,) w. "Dramas for the Stage," "Montezuma," "Vampire," "Martinuzzi," and other tragic dramas.

8. Emma Martin, (Eng.) Socialist Writer. b. 1812.

8. Alexander Lee. Composer of Ballads, &c.

12. George Baker, (Northampton, Eng.,) w. "History of Northamptonshire," a
splendid topographical work; b. 1780 " 12.

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"M. de Savigny, (Versäilles,) p. works on Zoology.

"22. Prof. Archibald Alexander, LL. D., (Princeton.) w. "The Evidences of the Christian Religion," "Evidences of the Authenticity. Inspiration, and Canonical Authority of the Holy Scriptures," "Thoughts on Religion," "History of Colonization," 1846, besides articles in the Princeton Rev. When only twenty five, he was appointed Pres. of the Hampden Sidney Col., and was afterwards Prof. of Theology at Princeton for forty years; b. 1772.

"23. Samuel Basseley, (Kent, Eng.,) Dramatic Writer; w. "The Roué," "The Oxonians" &c.; b. 1786.

Nov. 0, Rev. W. Crosswell, D. D., (Boston,) Poet, and formerly Editor of the "Episconal Watchman," b. 1804.

pal Watchman." b. 1804.

"12. Prof. G. S. Pattison, M. D., Editor of "Masse's and Cruvelhier's Anatomy,"
W. contributions to different Medical Mags.; b. Glasgow, 1790.

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There will be two Eclipses of the Sun, and one Eclipse of the Moon, this year

I. There will be an Eclipse of the Sun on Monday, June 6th, at the time of New Mees
the afternoon, invisible in all the northern portion of the United States. It will be visi

on the Sun's southern limb at the following cities:

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Austin.	1	44	2	42	3	36	1	52	2.14
New Orleans,	2	38	3	23	4	10	1	87	1.89

The Eclipse will be central and annular on the meridian in longitude 119º 54' west fi Freenwich, and latitude 00 38' north.

II. There will be an Eclipse on the Moon's northern limb on the 20th and 21st of Junisible. Duration 1 h. 36 m. Magnitude. 2.45 digits.

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New Haven.	21	0	21	mo.	21	1	9	mo.	21	1	57 mc
New York.	21	0	17	mo.	21	1	5	mo.	21	1	53 mc
Washington,	21	0	5	mo.	21	0	53	mo	21	1	41 mc
Richmond,	21	0	3	mo.	21	0	51	mo.	21	1	39 mc
Charleston,	20	11	53	ev.	21	0	41	mo.	21	1	29 mc
Detroit.	20	11	41	ev.	21	0	29	mo.	21	1	17 mc
Cincinnati,	20	11	35	ev.	21	0	23	mo.	21	1	11 mc
St. Louis.	20	11	15	ev.	21	0	3	mo.	21	0	51 mx
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San Francisco.	20	9	5	ev.	20	9	53	ev.	20	10	41 ev

III. There will be an Eclipse of the Sun on the 30th of November, at the time of N Moon; invisible in North America. It will be central and total on the meridian in lea tude 110° 18' west from Greenwich, and lutitude 11° 20' south.

CHRONOLOGICAL CYCLES.

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CHARLESTON, GEO., N. Caro., Tenn., Ala. Missis, and Louisiana. Sun Sun Moon H. W. rises, sets rises (th'tn.	M. H. M. H. M. H. 15 6 57 2 2 5 16 6 6 5 3 43 6	17 6 54 sets 7 18 6 53 7 46 8 119 6 51 8 51 8 21 8 119 6 51 8 54 9 26 10	20 6 50 9 58 10 21 6 49 10 31 11 22 6 48 11 7 mon 22 6 47 11 48 0 23 6 46 morn. 0	666666 866666 8666666 866666666	286 38 8 10 8 286 37 8 40 9 296 36 9 8 9 306 34 9 37 10 306 33 10 7 10	326 3111 15 ev. 336 30 11 55 0 28 morn. 1 34 6 27 0 41 3 46 25 2 2 2 2 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5
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CHARLESTON, GEO., N. Caro. Tenn. Jia. Missis., Ald Louisan. Sun Sun Mood H. W. rises sets sets Ch'un.	6 205 1 6 7 10 8 8 6 6 20 6 20 6 20 6 20 6 20 6 20 6	40.4 53 morn. ev. 414 53 0 48 2 43 4 53 2 55 4 44 44 52 4 2 5 4 6 45 4 52 8 52 6 14 6 6 4 52 8 etc. 6
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Harbard College.

The collection of books belonging to Harvard College, in Cambridge, Massachusetts, has long been regarded as the largest and most valuable one in the United States. It consists of above 80,000 volumes, which are distributed in four distinct Libraries; namely, 61,000 in the Public Library 3,487 in the Theological Library; 1,600 in the Medical Library; and 14,000 in the Law Library. The Scientific School has also a few valuable books, to which additions are expected to be made as the funds of this department of

the University increase. The Society Libraries of the students contain about 12,000 volumes, which added to the foregoing, make a grand total of 92,000 volumes. This enumeration does not include the unbound pamphlets, of which there are, in the Public Library alone, above 26,000, exclusive of duplicates.

This collection was begun 88 years ago. Its origin dates from the destruction of Harvard Hall, containing the first library of the College, the philosophical apparatus, and other objects of interest and value, accumulated in the course of 126 years, which were consumed by fire on the night of the 24th of January, 1764. In the new Harvard Hall, erected immediately on the site of the old one, the Public Library was kept till July, 1841, when the books were removed to Gore Hall, a spacious and imposing edifice, built for its exclusive accommodation by means of funds bequeathed to the College by the Hon. Christopher Gore.

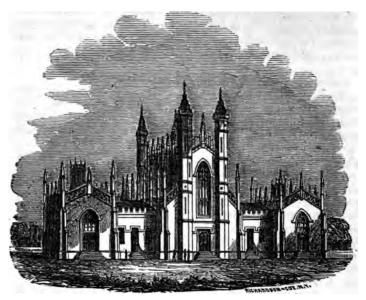
Gore Hall presents a pure and chaste specimen of the gothic style of the fourteenth century; but the hard Sienite or Quincy Granite, used in its construction, made it necessary to omit the elaborate ornaments with which this style is usually wrought. It is in the form of a Latin Cross; the length of the body being 140 feet, and across the transepts 811 feet. The main entrances are flanked by octagonal towers, 88 feet high, surmounted by lofty mitered pinnacles, somewhat like those of King's College Chapel, at Cambridge, England. The outer walls are of rough stone, laid in regular courses, with hammered stone buttresses, towers, pinnacles, and drip-stones. The inner walls and columns are of brick, stuccoed. The main floor is also of brick, resting on brick arches, filled above to a level, and covered with hardpine boards. The roof and gallery are supported by wrought iron rafters, and the partitions are strengthened by concealed iron columns. The interior of the body of the building forms a beautiful hall, 112 feet long and 35 feet high, with a vaulted and ribbed ceiling, springing from two ranges of ribbed columns. The spaces between the columns are divided by partitions into stalls or alcoves for books, having a light gallery above, protected by an ornamented iron balustrade. One of the transcpts is used as a readingroom; the other is divided into three apartments for books. This hall, in the construction of which great caution was used to guard against injury by fire, is heated by steam. This is conveyed from a boiler in the basement, through iron pipes to four stacks of perpendicular copper pipes, arranged like screens at the sides of the central area. An ingenious self-acting contrivance regulates the draft, so as to check or increase the generation of the steam.

The Public Library of the University, for which alone, as before stated, this hall is designed (the Libraries of the Theological, Medical, Law and Scientific Schools, being kept in separate buildings), contains books in all branches of learning. These are arranged according to subjects into the

four grand divisions of Literature, History, Theology, and Science, with numerous subdivisions. The first classification of the books was made in 1822, by Joseph G. Cogswell, Esq., now the accomplished librarian of the Astor Library; and it has been continued ever since, upon essentially the same plan.

The division of Theology contains the four great Polyglots, the Complutensian, Antwerp, French, and English; a very valuable collection of the writings of the Fathers of the Church; a complete apparatus for the critical study of the scriptures and ecclesiastical history, and a body of the miscellaneous writings of all the best modern divines. The scientific division is rich in works on the exact and natural sciences; and the library is well supplied in the departments of philosophy, ethics, ancient and modern literature, history, topography and antiquities. Voluminous and expensive works, which are rarely met with, except in large public libraries, here have their place. No where else in the United States will be found so large a collection of the Journals and Reports of the English Parliament; and the department of American History is unrivaled, at least in this country. The collection of maps, the titles of which alone fill a printed volume of two hundred and twenty-four pages, is believed to be altogether unique. The Library contains, also, a few valuable and interesting manuscripts; one of which, a fragment of the Gospels of Matthew and John, in the Greek uncial character on parchment, is more than one thousand years old, and is doubtless the only specimen of this kind and age on this continent.

The benefits conferred by this Library, are rendered as extensive as is consistent with the safety of the books, by the liberality of its regulations. Admittance and permission to consult the books are afforded gratuitously to all visitors. Persons having a temporary residence near the University, for the purpose of study, are permitted to borrow books without charge; while the Library is one of the principal attractions to an increasing number of students, who resort for an education to this celebrated University. Built up, as it has been, almost entirely by private munificence, the Public Library of Harvard College, in view of the benefits it so liberally offers, may hope to continue to receive the same generous support.



Pale College Library.

In the year 1700, ten of the principal clergymen of the Colony of Connecticut met at New Haven, and formed themselves into a body of Trustees for the purpose of establishing a College in the Colony. At the next meeting, which was at Branford, each one presented to the body a number of books, and laid them on the table with these words: "I give these books for founding a College in this Colony." The Library thus formed, consisted of about 40 folio volumes; and Rev. Samuel Russell, of Branford, was appointed the keeper. This collection, with its additions, was kept at Branford nearly three years, when it was removed to Killingworth, the residence of Rev. Abraham Pierson, the Rector of the College.

In October, 1701, the Collegiate School received a charter from the Legislature of the Colony of Connecticut. It is probable that on the death of Rector Pierson, in 1707, the Library was transferred to Saybrook, the seat of the College, and there remained until the removal to New Haven in 1718.

About 1713, the Library was increased by several donations, especially by a considerable collection sent from England by Sir John Davie, previously of Groton, Conn. In 1714, a large addition was made through the generous efforts of Jeremiah Dummer, Colonial Agent at London, who sent about 800

valuable volumes. Of these, 120 were his own gift, about 40 were given by Gov. Yale, and the remainder were, through Mr. Dummer's instrumentality, presented by Gentlemen in England, among whom were Sir Isaac Newton, Dr. Edmund Halley, Sir Richard Steele, Dr. Bentley and Dr. Calamy. Another donation of about 300 volumes was sent by Gov. Yale, in 1717, and Mr. Dummer added, in 1718, about 75 volumes more.

In 1717-18, the College was transferred to New Haven, and a large College-house was here built, which in September, 1718, was named YALE College, in commemoration of the generosity of Elihu Yale, then a resident of London, but a native of New Haven. The name was soon extended to the whole Institution, but was not its legal title until 1745.

In December, 1718, the Library was removed to New Haven, not without violent opposition, and about 250 volumes were lost in the transfer.

Occasional donations of books were from this time received, but none of much magnitude until the year 1783, when Rev. George Berkeley, Dean of Derry, in Ireland (who when in Rhode Island a few years previous, had given to the Library copies of his own works), sent to the College a most important donation, amounting to nearly a thousand volumes, and making the finest collection of books which, up to that time, had ever come at once into America.

In 1743, a catalogue of all the books in the Library was prepared by Pres. Clap. It was arranged according to subjects, and was printed in a volume of 48 pages, 12mo., at New London, in 1743. The number of volumes in the Library at this time was about 2,600. The catalogue was accompanied with an introduction, by Rev. Dr. Johnson, of Stratford, exhibiting a general view of all the arts and sciences, with a catalogue of some of the most valuable authors necessary to be read.

From this time to the latter part of the century, the Library increased but slowly. The College had scarcely any funds for the purchase of books, and the number presented was not large. During the War of the Revolution, the Library was sent into the interior, to secure it from the enemy, and many books were probably thus lost.

The fund for the increase of the Library commenced in 1763, when the sum of ten pounds (Conn. currency) was received by bequest from Rev. Jared Eliot, of Killingworth. In 1777, a like sum was received from Rev. Thomas Ruggles, of Guilford. In 1791, a bequest of \$1,122 was received from Rev. Samuel Lockwood, of Andover, Conn.

In 1805, an important addition was made by the purchase of about 2,000 volumes by Professor Silliman, during his visit to Europe.

In 1807, Hon. Oliver Wolcott, then residing in New York, gave \$2,000 to the Library fund. In 1821, a bequest of \$3,000 was made to the College by Noah Linsly, Esq., of Wheeling, Va., but previously of Branford, Conn. By vote of the Corporation, the income of this gift was assigned to the Library, and was so continued until the year 1851.

`In 1823, a donation of several hundred volumes was made by Rev. Jedidiah Morse and S. F. B. Morse, Esq. The same year, Eli Whitney, Esq., of New Haven, gave to the fund \$500, the income to be expended in the purchase of books on Practical Mechanics. Daniel Wadsworth, Esq., of Hartford, likewise gave \$500, the income to be used for buying books on Natural History and Chemistry.

In 1833, the sum of \$5,000 was contributed to the fund, by John T. Norton, Esq., of Albany, N. Y.

In 1836, the Library funds were enlarged by a bequest of \$10,000, received from Alfred E. Perkins, M. D., of Norwich, Conn. This legacy forms a separate fund, and the income thereof is expended in buying books to be kept apart, and forming a distinct portion of the Library.

In 1843, a bequest made by Rev. John Elliott, of Guilford, in 1825, reached the amount of \$1,000, after which, by the terms of gift, \$50 of the annual income is to be applied in buying books for the Theological Department.

In 1845, the income of the Library funds having accumulated to a considerable amount, Professor Kingsley, who was the Librarian for nineteen years previous to 1825, and was every way qualified for the undertaking, went abroad, and expended in England, Holland, France, and Germany, about \$8,000 in the purchase of books.

In 1849, a legacy left for the Library fund by Mr. Addin Lewis, of New Haven (who died in 1842), reached the intended amount of \$5,000, and the annual income has since been applied to the Library.

In 1850, a gift of \$500 to the Library fund, resulting from a previous conditional subscription to another object, was received from Professor Kingsley.

A building for the reception of the Library of the College and the libraries of the three literary societies of the Institution, was commenced in 1842. The College Library was removed, in 1852, into one of the smaller apartments, but the principal hall was not ready until 1846, for the reception of books. The building is of Gothic style, and the material is brown sandstone, from Portland, Conn. It comprises a hall for the College Library, with reading-room, ante-room and Librarian's room connected, and also three separate halls for the Society libraries. The southern wing (nearest the observer, on the sketch) is occupied by the library of the Linonian Society, the northern by that of the Brothers Society, and the south connecting wing by that of the Calliopean Society. The dimensions of the building are as follows: whole front, 151 feet; front of main hall, 51 f.; length of do., 95 f.; front of each wing, 30 f.; length of do., 67 f.; connecting wings, 26 f. by 40 f.; extreme hight of towers, 91 f.; interior dimensions of main hall, 83 f. by 41 f.; hight of nave, 51 f. When stone steps and pinnacles are added, the entire cost of the structure will be about \$40,000.

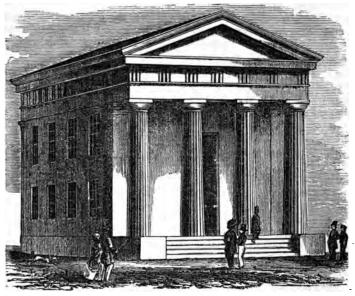
The Library, though small, is a good one, and is gradually enlarging by the expenditure of the income of the funds and by donations. The number of volumes which it now contains is about 24,000, besides about 6,000 pamphlets. No catalogue has been published since 1823, and a new edition is much to be desired. A separate law library (of about 2,200 volumes), and a medical library (of about 1,000 volumes), belong to the College. The Library has no ancient MSS. of importance. Among the modern ones which it possesses are about forty volumes left by Pres. Stiles, and a collection of papers relating to the controversy between the Mohegans and the Colony of Connecticut. Of the more valuable printed works which it comprises, the following may perhaps be worthy of mention, viz: A collection of American newspapers of 1765-6, gathered by Dr. Stiles, with reference to the Stamp Act, 4 vols. fol. Purchas, his Pilgrimes, 5 vols. fol. Grævius, Gronovius, etc., Thesaurus Antiquitatum, etc., 87 vols. fol. Muratori: Scriptores Italici, 24 vols. fol. Description de l'Egypte, Paris, 1809, etc., 22 vols. Kingsborough's Antiquities of Mexico, 9 vols. fol. Silvestre: Pal-60graphie Universelle, 4 vols. fol. Zahn: Antiquities of Pompeii, Herculaneum and Stabia, fol. Documents Inédits sur l'Histoire de France, 65 vols. 4to. (in progress.) Annali dell' Instituto di Corrispondenza Archeologica, 1829-45, 16 vols. 8vo. Bullettino do. 1829-1844. Maii Scriptorum Veterum Nova Collectio Vaticana, 10 vols. fol. Classici Auctores e Vat. Codd., 10 vols. 8vo. Maii Spicilegium Romanum, 10 vols. Piranesi: Collection of Italian Antiquities, etc., 27 vols. fol. Pertz: Monumenta Germaniæ Historica, fol., 8 vols. (in progress.) Fundgruben des Orients, 6 vols. fol. Milan edition of the Italian Classics, 400 vols. 8vo. Allg. Literatur-Zeitung, complete, 1785-1849, 141 vols. 4to. Berliner Jahrbücher, complete, 1827-1845, 33 vols. 4to. Wiener Jahrbücher der Literatur, complete, Collection of original pamphlets concerning English affairs from Charles I. to James II. Publications of the English Record Commission, 74 vols.

The oldest printed work in the collection is a copy of two tracts of St. Augustine (de Vita Christiana, etc.), printed by Ulric Zell, of Mayence, A. D. 1467.

During term-time, the College Library is open every secular day, from 10 A. M. to 1 P. M., and from 3 to 5 P. M., and in summer usually an hour or two more. The persons entitled to borrow from the Library, are the professors and teachers of the College, members of the professional and scientific schools, and of the Junior and Senior classes, and such other persons as the Library Committee may authorize. For consultation, however, the Library is opened freely to every applicant. Books are occasionally loaned to persons at a distance, by permission of the Committee.

The Libraries of the Literary Societies are accessible to all the students,

and are opened in term time every secular day (with few exceptions), from 1½ to 2 P.M. The Linonian Library now numbers about 12,000 volumes; and the last catalogue was issued in 1846. The number of volumes in the Brothers Library is now about 11,500, and the last catalogue was printed in 1851. In the Calliopean Library, there are about 6,000 volumes, and the latest catalogue is dated 1846. The total number of volumes (including duplicates) in the building, is about 53,500.



Library of Brown University.

Brown University was incorporated in the year 1764. It was originally established in the town of Warren, where, in the year 1769, the first commencement was celebrated. It was subsequently removed to Providence, where the first college edifice (University Hall) was erected, in the year 1770.

The books first obtained for the library were probably procured in England, through the agency of the Rev. Morgan Edwards. In the year 1768 Mr. Edwards, then in England, was authorized by the corporation "to purchase such books as he shall think necessary at this time, not exceeding 20

pounds value." This appropriation, small as it was, formed the nucleus of the Library, which, although numbering but 24,350 bound volumes, exclusive of pamphlets and duplicates, is yet acknowledged to be the best selected, if not the most valuable public library in the country.

At a meeting of the Standing Committee of the Corporation of Brown University, held Jan. 10, 1831, it was unanimously resolved:

- 1. That immediate measures be taken to raise by subscription the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, to be appropriated to the purchase of books for the Library and apparatus for the philosophical and chemical departments of Brown University.
- 2. That the Chairman and Thomas P. Ives, be a Committee to carry the foregoing resolution into effect.

F. WAYLAND, Chairman.

Soon afterwards a meeting of the friends of the institution was called for the purpose of seconding this effort. At this meeting the wants of the Library, and the importance of supplying them, were presented and urged. Previously to this, however, the Hon. Nicholas Brown had, with his wonted munificence, subscribed ten thousand dollars towards the fund. The subscription was genered with the following conditions:

- 1. The whole amount shall be invested in a permanent fund, of which the interest shall be, from time to time, appropriated exclusively to the objects stated in the Resolution.
- 2. The selection of books and apparatus shall be made by joint committee of the Corporation and Government of the University.
- 3. One-third of the amount subscribed shall become due on the first day of October, 1832, another third on the first day of October, 1833, and the remainder on the first day of October, 1834.
- 4. A copy of the subscribers' names, and of the sums subscribed by each, shall be deposited in the Library, and another among the archives of the University.

The sum thus obtained, amounting to \$19,437.50, was placed at interest until it had accumulated to twenty-five thousand dollars, and was then invested in a permanent fund, in the stock of the Blackstone Canal Bank in Providence, according to the provisions of the subscription, as above specified. The first dividend became due in July, 1839. Since that time the proceeds have been regularly appropriated according to the design of the donors.

The room appropriated to the Library, at the time when the Library Fund was raised, "was an apartment in University Hall, crowded to excess, unsightly, and wholly unsuited for the purpose to which, from necessity, it was devoted." To remedy this defect, the Hon. Nicholas Brown erected, at his own expense, a beautiful edifice for a Library and Chapel; to which,

in testimony of veneration for his former instructor, he gave the name of Manning Hall. It was dedicated in 1835, when Dr. Wayland delivered a Discourse on the "Dependence of Science upon Revealed Religion," which was published.

This College edifice, the third which has been erected, is built of stone. Including the portico, it is about ninety feet in length, by forty-two in width. Its hight, from the top of the basement, is forty feet. The library occupies the whole of the first floor, and is a beautiful room. In the center it is ornamented with a double row of fluted columns. The Library is sixty-four feet by thirty-eight, and is thirteen feet high. The Chapel is on the second floor. It exhibits the most graceful proportions. Its length and breadth are the same as those of the Library. Its hight, however, is not less than twenty-five feet. The front of the edifice is ornamented with four fluted columns, resting on a platform projecting thirteen feet from the walls. Manning Hall is situated between University Hall and Hope College, equidistant from each. It is of the Doric order, and is said to be one of the finest specimens to be found in the country.

Soon after the removal of the Library to the new building, it was newly arranged, and in 1843 a full catalogue of its contents was printed. This catalogue was favorably noticed in the North American Review, and in other leading periodicals, and drew especial attention to this important department of the Institution. It was prepared by Prof. C. C. Jewett, who was the librarian of Brown University from 1841 to 1848, when he resigned, in order to take charge of the Library department connected with the Smithsonian Institution at Washington. The catalogue is alphabetical, according to the authors' names, and has a copious and analytical index of subjects. A supplement, larger than the original volume, and on the same plan, is nearly ready for the press.

Soon after the printing of the catalogue, a chair of modern languages was established at the College; Mr. Jewett, the professor elect, was encouraged to visit Europe, partly for the purpose of professional study, and partly to enable the friends of the College to carry out more effectually their wishes for the increase of the Library. Through the liberality of John Carter Brown, LL. D., son of the late Hon. Nicholas Brown, from whom the University derives its name, Mr. Jewett was enabled to purchase for the library, books in the German, French, and Italian languages, to the amount of about \$2,700.

This collection, numbering 2,921 volumes, includes a set of French, German, and Italian Classics, in the best and fullest library editions; the principal philosophical, scientific, and historical works of late continental scholars; a complete set of the "Moniteur Universel," from its commencement to 1826—a clean, beautiful, well bound copy of the original edition,

in 77 vols. folio; a set of the memoirs of the French Institute since its reorganization, 61 vols. 4to.; the collection of memoirs relative to the history of France by Guizot and Petitot, 162 vols. 8vo.; a complete set of the Allgemeine Literatur-Zeitung, 184 vols. 4to.; and of the Allgemeine Deutsche Bibliothek, 139 vols. 8vo.; Il Vaticano, 8 vols. folio, elegantly illustrated; Il Campidoglio, 2 vols. folio; the Museo Borbonico, 13 vols. 4to.—the original Naples edition; the works of Canova and Thorwaldsen; the Musée Français and Musée Royal, in 6 vols. folio; the Description de l'Egypte; Canina's Architecture, and many more illustrated works of great beauty and value, besides rare and costly maps and prints. These books were mostly purchased at auctions in Paris, Rome, Leipsic, Frankfort on the Maine, and Berlin. They are all well bound, most of them newly and elegantly, in half calf, plain gilt.

To supply the deficiencies of the Library in standard English works, a subscription was opened among the friends of the College, amounting to about \$5,000; and Mr. Jewett was appointed to select and purchase the books. This collection was received in the Library in 1845, and raised the whole number of volumes to nearly 20,000.

Among the English books added to the Library at this time is a Shaks-peariana, in 196 columes, elegantly bound in full calf, gilt. It was collected by Thos. Rodd, Esq., bookseller in London, and contains Ireland's own copy of his "Confessions," inlaid (as the book-binders term it) with marginal notes in his own hand-writing, and many original and curious documents. The collection was purchased for the small sum of \$500, and was presented to the Library by Moses B. Ives, Esq., a graduate of the College in 1812, and one of its most zealous friends and liberal benefactors.

In 1847 several of the clergymen in Providence proposed to the religious societies with which they were connected, a subscription for the purpose of supplying the deficiencies of the Library in the best editions of the Fathers of the Church, and the standard theological writers of the Reformation. About \$2,000 were raised, and a superb collection was purchased of the Benedictine editions of several of the Fathers; the Bibliotheca Maxima Veterum Patrum, 30 vols. folio; Harduin's Collectio Conciliorum, 12 vols. folio; besides the choicest and most elegant editions of many of the Fathers not edited by the Benedictines, and a large collection of works connected with patristic literature and the history of the Reformation. To this collection of the Fathers valuable additions were made at the recent sale of the library of the late Rev. Dr. Jarvis.

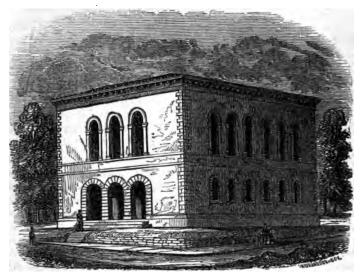
In 1703 the Library contained 2,137 volumes; in 1826, 5,818 volumes; in 1843, 10,235. The number of volumes in July, 1852, was 24,350, exclusive of pamphlets and duplicates. The Libraries of the two literary societies

connected with Brown University contain together upwards of 7,000 volumes.

Since January, 1843, 14,115 volumes have been added to the Library, 1,132 volumes of which have been added during the past year. A large proportion of these were purchased at the late Jarvis sale. During the last ten years, about \$22,000, being the proceeds of the Library fund and donations from individuals, have been expended for the purchase of books. The Library is under the immediate direction of a "Joint Committee of the Corporation and Faculty of the University," to which the Librarian is required to make a written monthly report.

The library is open, during term time, daily, from 9 A.M. till 1 P.M.; during vacations, weekly, on Saturdays, from 11 till one. The members of the Corporation; the President, Professors, Tutors, and Register; all resident Graduates; all the Donors to the Library fund; all Donors to the fund for building Rhode Island Hall; and all Donors to the Library to the amount of \$40, residing in the city of Providence, are entitled to the use of the Library, without expense? Undergraduates, also, are entitled to the use of the Library, and are charged therefor the sum of \$23 per annum.

The privilege of consulting the Library is extended, under such restrictions as the Library Committee may prescribe, to all graduates of the University; to all settled Clergymen of every denomination, residing in the city of Providence and its vicinity; and to all other persons on whom, for the purpose of advancing the Arts, Science or Literature, the Corporation or Library Committee may, from time to time, confer it. Books are occasionally lent to persons at a distance, by special permission of the Library Committee. A. Guild, A. M., has filled the office of Librarian since Mr. Jewett's resignation in 1848.



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Morcester Antiquarian Society Library.

The following account of the American Antiquarian Society has been mainly derived from the printed reports of its officers:

"In October, 1812, Isaiah Thomas, Nathaniel Paine, William Paine, Levi Lincoln, Aaron Bancroft, and Edward Bangs, all long since deceased, laid before the legislature their petition praying for an act of incorporation, declaring it to be their purpose 'to contribute to the advancement of the arts and sciences, and to aid by their individual and united efforts in collecting and preserving such materials as may be useful in marking their progress.' An act was passed, and became a law on the 24th of the same October; and the first meeting was held on the 19th day of November following, when the Society was organized. Its whole resources then consisted in the promise of a small but respectable private library, and in the courage under the auspices of their leader, Isaiah Thomas, to make an effort to deserve success.

"The library was kept in the mansion of Mr. Thomas, and the meetings of the Council were held there. In 1819, upon a lot then owned by him, he erected at his private expense, the center building of the Hall hitherto owned and occupied by the Society. The books and cabinet were moved into it in 1820.

"In 1831, eleven years after, Mr. Thomas died, leaving the Society the land and building, with a provision for the addition of the wings that now make a part of the edifice, and a legacy which, in cash, may be estimated at about \$24,000, though a considerable portion of the money was not realized till a later period. These bequests were in addition to the books he had from time to time contributed to the library.

"The affairs of the Society have at all times been quietly, nay almost silently, conducted. No temporary expedients, no artificial stimulants have been employed to give to it a fictitious importance. No pecuniary aid has been solicited for it, nor has prosperity been sought through any means except that voluntary support which is yielded from a conviction that it is engaged in a meritorious work, deserving encouragement."

The library has gradually increased from the original foundation of its principal benefactor, till it numbers now about twenty thousand volumes, besides a mass of pamphlets, maps, prints, and manuscripts. It contains many portraits of much interest, among them that of Richard, Increase, Cotton, and Samuel Mather, whose library (perhaps the oldest in the country that has been kept together) is incorporated with that of the Institution. Their manuscripts also have many of them been presented to the Society by their descendants or representatives. Of the works of the old divines and literary fathers of New England, the Society has a large and valuable collection, with many rare historical tracts and other pamphlets, now difficult to procure. Its collection of newspapers of an early date, is probably the most valuable in the country; while those of more recent publication are numerous, and continue to be gathered with much pains for their increase and completeness.

In 1820, the Society published a volume of Archæologia, of 435 pages, in which the principal article was an account of researches among the ancient mounds, works of defense, and other remains of the West, by Caleb Atwater, illustrated by maps, plans, and drawings.

In 1836 a second volume, of 573 pages, was issued, containing an elaborate synopsis and comparison of the various Indian dialects, by the late Albert Gallatin.

In 1837 a Catalogue of the library was printed, making a large octave volume of 571 pages.

In 1850 a fourth publication was commenced, consisting chiefly of the early records of the colony of Massachusetts Bay, with notes by the Librarian.

Finding that much inconvenience was experienced from the dampness of the location of the building in which the library and other collections were kept, and that enlarged accommodations were greatly needed, the Society deemed it necessary to make arrangements for the erection of a new edifice in a more favorable location.

With this view an application was made, through the recommendation of Prof. Jewett, to Thomas A. Tefft, Esq., of Providence, for a plan, and the design of which an engraving is given in our present number, was furnished by him. It is in a style of the simplest and severest taste, relying for effect more upon the harmony of its proportions, and the keeping of its architectural members, than upon any merely ornamental work or device.

The building is now nearly completed, and will be occupied early in the spring. It is a parallelogram, fifty feet wide, eighty feet in length, and forty-two feet high from the ground to the eaves. The body of the walls is of pressed brick, with a base of freestone, and bold quoin-work in freestone at the corners. A double belt of freestone encircles the building between the stories, and the windows are cased in the same material. The basement story, within, besides the vestibule, will afford room for an apartment forty-six feet square, a cabinet, an office, and a packing-room. On the second floor is the hall intended for the library of the Society, together with a council-room, a packing-room, and two small lobbies or offices.

The library-room is finished with alcoves twenty-four feet five inches in hight. At seven feet from the floor an iron gallery is carried around the whole, within the alcoves and without; and a second gallery will be inserted, when required, at an equal distance from the first. The ceiling is gracefully arched, and has a skylight in the center. Each alcove will have an entire window to itself, and it is estimated that they will together contain about 43,000 volumes. The large apartment below is offered for the use of a city library, until it shall be needed by the Society. The architectural ornaments of the interior are simple but graceful, and not wanting in any features that are appropriate to the style of the building. All the appointments belonging to the most approved methods of warming and ventilation have also been adopted.

It is supposed that the total cost will be not far from \$18,000, of which \$5,000 were contributed by Hon. Stephen Salisbury, who also gave the land on which the building stands.

It is believed that the edifice will prove not only convenient in its arrangements, but highly creditable to the taste and skill of the architect, in its appearance externally and internally. The present librarian is S. F. Havens, Esq.



New York State Library.

THE New York State Library was established by the Legislature in the year 1818, when the sum of three thousand dollars was appropriated for the fitting up of rooms and the purchase of books. Since then, it has maintained a steady growth by means of annual appropriations from the public treasury, as well as liberal donations. The international exchange of M. Vattemare has also aided this library to a remarkable degree, the excellent publications of the State in Natural History and other subjects having furnished an ample and valuable capital, the distribution of which is constantly reacting upon the State itself. About one thousand volumes, many of them of a rare and costly character, have been received by means of such exchanges.

The library is divided into two departments, the Law and Miscellaneous, the former of which is nearly or quite the most complete collection of its kind in the country; while the latter is particularly rich in Historical works, and in the publications of different European governments.

A catalogue of the books in both of these departments appeared in 1850, forming an octavo volume of more than a thousand pages, and containing in all the titles of twenty-three thousand two hundred and twenty-three volumes. Two supplementary catalogues, containing the additions of 1851

and 1852, have been printed in the annual reports of the library for those respective years.

From these sources we gather, that in March, 1852, the library contained twenty-seven thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine bound volumes, in addition to a valuable collection of maps and engravings. Its whole property may thus be classified. There are of

Law books,									6,256
Statute law a	nd Sta	te j	pape	ers,					4,674
Miscellaneous	,								16,860
Maps, atlases	in bot	ınd	vo	um	es,				68
Марв,	•							•	158
Engravings,									340
Medals,	•								28
Painting and	busts,		•						5
Total,			٠.						28,384

Manuscripts, of which there are many of great local value, are not included in this enumeration. It is worthy of mention here, lest we should be thought in error, that by a singular mis-print in the last official report of the library, the total number of volumes owned by the library in eighteen hundred and fifty-one is given as the total for eighteen hundred and fifty-two, and vice versa.

The library is at present located in the Capitol; but the spacious building erected for its use, directly west of the State House, and of which a cut is subjoined, will soon be put in requisition.

The rooms are open from nine o'clock till four, during the sittings of the legislature and of courts, and also at other times. Any citizen may read and consult the books, upon the premises, at pleasure; and certain public officers are allowed to draw out volumes. The library is under the charge of the Regents of the University. Its librarian is Alfred B. Street, Esq.



The Redwood Library,

IN NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND.

The Redwood Library and Atheneum owes its origin to a literary and philosophical Society which was established in Newport in the year 1730. This Society was composed of some of the most respectable men of the town of Newport, at that period one of the most remarkable in the American colonies, for its wealth, learning, and public spirit. Its origin is connected with a splendid name in literature and philosophy. The celebrated Bishop Berkeley, who resided at that time on Rhode Island, encouraged the formation of this institution, and participated in its discussions. He was the intimate friend of some of its members; and the charm of his conversation undoubtedly gave a delightful interest to its meetings. Berkeley resided on Rhode Island from January, 1729, to September, 1731; and from frequent intercourse with these vigorous-minded men derived that knowledge of American character which prompted his muse to utter the prophetic declaration, "Westward the star of empire takes its way."

At that period the advantages of the Association depended on a system of weekly debates and conversations, upon questions of utility or interest. The formation of a library was, subsequently, considered by them as one of the most powerful means of accomplishing their original purpose, "the promotion of knowledge and virtue." The system of debates was gradually laid aside, and the energies of the Society were solely directed to the collection of valuable books. Had the establishment of a library constituted originally an object of the Society, the valuable books given by Bishop Berkeley to Yale College and Harvard University, on his departure from Newport, in 1731, would undoubtedly have been presented by him to this institution, to individual members of which he was strongly attached.

In the accomplishment of this new object a great impulse was given by Abraham Redwood, who, in 1747, placed at the disposal of the Society £500, sterling, for the purchase of standard books in London. To give perseverance and usefulness to his donation, Mr. Redwood enjoined on the Society the duty of erecting an edifice for the reception of such books as should be purchased. Five thousand pounds were immediately subscribed by the inhabitants of the town. Henry Collins, Esq., presented in June, 1748, to the Company, the lot of land on which the library edifice now stands. The library building is a beautiful specimen of the Doric order; it was completed in 1750. The principal front is ornamented with a portico of four Doric columns, seventeen feet in hight, and projecting nine feet from the walls of the building. The wings furnish two rooms of about twelve feet square. The principal library-room, occupying the whole of the main building, is thirty-seven feet long, twenty-six feet broad, and nineteen feet in hight. The edifice is lighted by seven whole windows, and three attic windows in the east and west ends. The three whole windows in the east are beautifully enriched with tasteful architectural ornament.

This library is remarkably rich in classical and theological works. It was this circumstance which induced the Rev. Dr. Stiles to fix his residence in Newport. He was an honorary member of the institution, and through his exertions, many valuable works from European authors were procured. He acted for nearly twenty years as librarian of the Company.

During the Revolution the library is said to have been defaced, and many of the books were carried off. Gen. Prescott, to his honor be it said, on hearing of the exposed state of the library, stationed a military guard to protect it from further injury and depredation.

After the death of Mr. Redwood, the founder of the library, the public interest in the prosperity of the institution seems to have declined. Indeed, its very existence at one time depended on the resolution and efforts of a few individuals. The late Dr. Channing, in a discourse delivered at Newport, in 1836, alludes to the neglected condition of the library at this period, during which he pursued his studies in this town. He says, "I had no professor or teacher to guide me, but I had two noble places of study, one

was yonder beautiful edifice, now so frequented and so useful as a public library; then so deserted that I spent day after day, and sometimes week after week, amidst its dusty volumes, without interruption from a single visitor."

The library-room is adorned by several paintings and busts, and by many valuable portraits. It is open from May 1 to November 1, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, from 2 to 5, P. M.; from November 1 to May 1 it is open on Tuesdays and Saturdays, from 2 to 4, P. M.

The increase of the library during the past ten years, by donation and purchase, has been two hundred volumes per annum. The present number of volumes is six thousand. Mr. Augustus Bush is the librarian.

Xist of Xibraries in the United States.

The following list is based upon the admirable report of Prof. Jewers, on Public Libraries, published by the Smithsonian Institution. Such additions and corrections as have come to our knowledge have, however, been made. The difficulty of procuring these statistics is much greater than is generally supposed; and Librarians will accordingly confer a favor by transmitting, from time to time, to the publisher of this Register, an account of such changes and additions as may be made in their respective institutions.

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Location	Founded	. Title.	Librarian.	l'olumes.
Augusta,	1886	State Library,	J. G. Sawyer,	9,000
Bangor,	1832	Theological Seminary,	- '	7,500
Brunswick,	1802	Bowdoin College,	D. R. Goodwin,	25,600
Houlton,	1849	Forest Club,	W. Butterfield,	200
Portland,	1827	Athenæum,		6,170
Waterville,	1820	Waterville College,	M. B. Anderson,	3,484
		NEW HAMPSHIRE.	•	
Concord,		State Library,	J. L. Hadley,	4,700
Concord,	1846	Methodist Biblical Institute,	O. C. Baker,	1,000
Concord,	1928	New Hampshire Hist. Society,		1,500
Dublin,	1798	Union Library,	L. W. Leonard,	488
Dublin,	1799	Ladies' Library,	Mrs. S. Marshall,	161
Dublin,	1822	Juvenile Library,	L. W. Leonard,	1,817
Exeter,	1788	Phillips' Academy,	G. L. Soull,	900
Gilmanton,	1835	Theological Seminary,		4,800
Great Falls,		Manf. and Village Library,		2,900
Hanover.	1769	Dartmouth College.		99,400

	n nde d	-	Librarian.	Volumes
7er,		Northern Acad, of Arts and Sciences.		1,80
en Village,	1814	Kimball Union Academy,	C. S. Richards,	2,000
Tampton,	1821	Theological Seminary,		2,200
field,		N. Hampshire Conference Seminary,		1,000
nouth.	1817	Athenæum,	George Jaffrey,	7,28
nouth,		St. John's Church Library,		500
nouth,		Unitarian Church Library,		678
rnton,		Public Library,		800
field,	1797	Wakefield and Brookfield Union.	William Sawyer,	500
		VERMONT.		
gton,	1800	University of Vermont,	C. Pease,	12,250
ebury,	1800	Middlebury College,	R. D. C. Robbins,	8,417
ælier.		State Library,	C. N. Carpenter,	8,500
elier,	1838	Historical and Antiquarian Society.		
ich,	1948	Norwich University,	J. Davis.	1.400
		massachusetts.		
rst.	1821	Amherst College,	E. S. Snell.	15,000
7er.	1908	Theological Seminary.	E, Robie,	21,25
ier,		Phillips' Academy,	·	1,000
rer,		English High School,		800
1,	1806	Boston Athenæum,	C. Folsom,	50,000
1,	1794	Boston Library,	•	12,150
a,	1780	Am. Academy of Arts and Sciences,	N. B. Shurtleff.	8,200
1,	1852	Boston Free Library,		
1,	1826	General Court,	Rev. B. Sears,	7,400
1,	1845	Mercantile Library,	W. F. Poole,	7,059
1,	1791	Massachusetts Historical Society,	J. B. Felt,	7,000
1,	1820	Mechanics' Apprentices,	R. H. Howell,	4,000
a,	1822	Am. Board Com. for For. Missions.		3,500
1,	1990	Boston Soc. Natural History,	C. K. Dillaway,	8,500
1,		American Oriental Society,	C. Folsom,	400
1,	1889	American Statistical Association,		2,000
n,	1845	N. England Genealogical Association.		1,500
1,		Social Law Library.		8,000
o,		Bowditch Library,		2,500
3,		Prince Library,		1,800
ridge,		Harvard College,	W. T. Harris,	92,000
ridgeport.	1849	Parish Library,		500
n,	1827	Lawrence Academy,		2,650
nce.		Franklin Library,	N. W. Harmon,	850
1,	1844	City School Library,	J. Hubbard,	7,49
1,	1925	Middlesex Mechanics' Association.	Mr. Crafts,	5,886
cket,	1886	Athenæum,		2,555
3edford.	1852	Free Library,		
m,	1825	Theological Seminary,		6,000
ury,	1848	Athenæum,	B. Kent,	5,000
	1810	Athennum,	C. J. Whipple,	11,000

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Salem,	1848	Essex Institute,	H. M. Brooks,	2,52
Balem,		Mechanics' Institute,		8,00
Salem,		East India Marine Society,		80
Salem,	1805		Doct, E. B. Pierson,	1,00
Salem,		Essex Agricultural Society,		65
Salem,		Salem Evangelical Library,	Rev. B. Emerson,	1,40
Williamstown,		Williams' College Library,	J. Fatlock,	18,75
Worcester,	1812	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	S. F. Haven,	20,00
Worcester,		College of the Holy Cross,	J. O'Callaghan,	4,20
Worcester,	18 48			1,00
		Lyceum,		1,80
	1932	Manual Labor and High School,		50
		RHODE ISLAND.		
Newport,		Redwood,		6,00
Newport,		Mechanics,		1,10
Providence,	1768		R. A. Guild,	8 2,6 0
Providence,	1881	· ·	T. H. Williams.	15;20
Providence,		Mechanics' Association,		8,80
Providence,	1922	Rhode Island Historical Society,		2,50
Providence,		Friends' Boarding School,		1,50
Providence,	1823	Franklin Society,		50
		Public School Library,		19,68
		CONNECTICUT.		
East Windsor,	1888	Theological Institute,		5,00
Hartford,		Young Men's Institute,		10,00
Hartford,		State Library,		8,00
Hartford,		Historical Society,	T. Robbins,	7,00
Hartford,	1828	Trinity College,		12,00
Middletown,	1831	Wesleyan University,		12,00
New Haven,	1700	Yale College,	E. C. Herrick,	58,50
New Haven.		Young Men's Institute,		8,80
Norwich,		Otis Library.		
		NEW YORK.		
Albany,	1818	State Library,	A. B. Street,	27,89
Albany,		Assembly Library,		7,00
Albany,	1883	Young Men's Association,	A. F. Lansing,	4,50
Albany,		State Normal School,		6,85
Albany,	1882	New York State Agricultural Society,		′6 0
Albany,		Albany Medical College,		2,21
Albany,	1828			8,82
Auburn,	1821	Theological Seminary,		6,00
Brooklyn,		,	T. L. Smith,	2,97
Brooklyn,	1889	City Library,		8,90
Brooklyn,	1828	Youth's Free Library,		8,02
Buffalo,	1887	Young Men's Association,	P. Sargent,	6,56
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Buffalo, Clinton,	1812	University (Medical Department), Hamilton College,	_	51

tion.	Founded	. Tille.	Librarian.	Volume
on,	1884	Union Society,		8,40
n,		Phœnix Society,		8,40
mpton,	1808	Library Company,	S. Jones,	26
ing,		St. Paul's College,		2,80
am,	1840	St. John's College,	J. Legouias,	12,00
am,	1840	St. Joseph Seminary,	J. Legouais,	4,00
78,	1825	College Library,	J. M. Clark,	5,40
78,	1835	Medical Library,		60
78,		Hermaean Society,		8,66
lton,	1820	Madison University,	A. C. Kendrick,	7,00
rick,	1815	Theological Seminary,	•	1,00
on,	1888	Franklin Library,		1,00
urg,	1802	Theological Seminary,		8,28
York €ity	. 1820	Mercantile Association,	S. H. Grant,	85,10
York,	1754	New York Society,	P. J. Forbes,	85,00
York,	1839	Astor Library,	J. G. Cogswell,	60,00
York.	1804	New York Historical Society,	G. H. Moore,	17,00
York,	1838	Union Theological Seminary,	E. Robinson,	17,00
York,	1757	Columbia College,	W. S. Jones,	17,00
York,	1820	Apprentices' Library,	J. C. Sioan,	14,00
York,	1817	Episcopal Theological Institute,	C. E. Cruse,	10,00
York,	1770	New York Hospital,	J. L. Vandervoort,	6,00
York,	1828	American Institute,	J. G. Chambers,	6,50
York.	1880	New York Law Institute,	H. S. Dodge,	•
York,	1831	University of New York,	II. S. Douge,	4,49
York,	1830	Mechanic's Institute,	F Unn	4,00
York.	1809	•	E. Henry,	8,00
,		Printer's Reading-Room Library,	R. Bradley,	2,50
York,	1818		R. H. Brownne,	1,64
York,		American Bible Society.		
York,		American and Foreign Bible Society,		1,57
York,		College of Physicians and Surgeons,		1,20
York,	4054	American Ethnological Society.		
York,	1851	Free Academy.		
keepsie,	1888	Lyceum of Literature, Science, &c.		68
ikeepsie,	4	Public Library,		8,00
ester,	1832	Athenæum Library,	L. R. P. Stockton,	5,00
ster,		Court of Appeals,		8,40
ectady,	1795	Union College,	J. Pearson,	15,00
ectady,		Young Men's Association,		8,20
18,		Public Library,		21
	1885	Young Men's Association,		4,00
		Young Men's Association,		2,20
Point,	1812	United States Military Academy,		15,00
		NEW JERSEY.	-	
gton,	1846	College Library,	A. Frost,	1.20
rk,	1845	New Jersey Historical Society,	S. H. Pennington,	82
rk,	10.20	Library Institution,	~. A. I cannigwa,	8,00
ra, Brunswick	k, 1807	Rutger's College,	C. K. Van Remondt	•
	-, 1001	Lyceum Library,	O. M. Van Demondi	•
e,	2 A	Lifetim Library,		1,00

Location.	Founded		Librarian.	Volumes.
Princeton,	1755	College Libraries, New Jersey,	G. M. Giger,	16,000
Princeton,	1812	Theological Seminary,	A. Alexander,	9,000
Trenton,	1824	State Library,	W. D. Hart,	5,000
Trenton,		Philomathean Library,		_ 300
		PENNSYLVANIA.		
Alleghany,	1827	Theolog. Seminary of Presbyterians,		6,000
Canonsburg,	1802	Jefferson College,		10,000
Canonaburg,	1881	Theological Seminary,		2,000
Carlisle,	1782		J. U. Marshall,	14,550
Chester,		Athenseum Library,		1,000
Easton,	1888	Lafayette College,	J. N. Coffin,	5,042
Easton,	1811	Easton Library,	P. Baldy,	3,751
Erie,	1889	Irving Literary Institute,	L. Rust,	1,015
Fallsington,	1802	Fallsington Library Company,		1,650
Gettysburg,	1882	Pennsylvania College Library,	M. L. Stower,	6,000
Gettysburg,	1825	Theological Seminary,		9,000
Harrisburg,	1816	•	I. Johnston,	10,000
Hatborough,	1755	Union Library,	J. Morton,	8,430
Jonestown,		Swatara Literary Association.		
Lancaster,		Franklin College,	F. A. Muhlenburg,	750
Lancaster,		Mechanic's Institute,		2,000
Lewisburg,	1849	University Library,	G. R. Bliss,	600
Meadville,	1815	Alleghany College,	F. Henidekoper,	8,200
Mercersburg,	1820	Reformed German Theological Sem.,		6,000
Mercersburg,		Marshall College,		7,000
Norristown,	1796	Library Company,	R. Adamson,	2,515
Philadelphia,		Library Company and Loganian,	L. P. Smith,	60,000
Philadelphia,	1742	American Philosophical Society,	C. B. Trego,	20,000
Philadelphia,	1823	Mercantile Library,	J. Cox,	12,283
Philadelphia,	1812	Academy of Natural Science,	W. S. Zantzinger,	18,500
Philadelphia,	1821	Apprentice's Library,		14,000
Philadelphia,	1818	Athenæum,	W. McIlhenney,	10,000
Philadelphia,	1750	Pennsylvania Hospital,		10,000
Philadelphia,		Law Association,	J. W. Wallace,	5,100
Philadelphia,	1880	Franklin Institute,	T. Hamilton,	6,000
Philadelphia,	1750	University of Pennsylvania,		5,000
Philadelphia,		American Baptist Society,		1,082
Philadelphia,	1825	Historical Society,		1,728
Pittsburg,	1847	Young Men's Mercantile,		1,188
Pittsburg,	1828	Theological Seminary,		1,500
Washington,	1806	Washington College,		8,800
Westchester,	1826	Cabinet of Natural Sciences,		450
Westchester,	1827	Chester County Athenæum,	W. Dartington,	1,481
		DELAWARE.		
Dover,		State and Law Library,	S. C. Letherbury,	4,000
Newark,	1888	Delaware College,		8,700
New Castle,	1812	Public Library,	S. Guthrie,	4,000

MARYLAND.

ion.	Founded	. Title.	Librarian.	Volumes.
polis,	1827	State Library,	R. Swann,	15,000
polis,	1784	St. John's College,	W. D. Greetham,	8,292
nore,	1796	Baltimore Library,	J. S. Sumner.	16,000
20re,	1809	St. Mary's College,	M. Feller,	12,000
nore,	1889	Mercantile Library,	J. Green,	9,000
oore,	1848	Historical Society,	F. B. Mayer,	1,500
20re,	1849	Odd Fellows,	J. Shotton,	3,541
core,	1850	Female College,		2,800
iore,		Medico Chirurgical Society,		2,000
10re,		University Medical,		1,000
core,		Law Library,		1,000
10re,		Mechanical and Patapsco Fire Co.,		2,000
10 10 ,	1849	Mechanic's Institute,		1,000
ærtown,	1788	Washington College,	S. S. Rogers,	1,100
etsburg,		St. Mary's College,		4,000
stown,		St. James' College,		2,500
stown,		Belles Lettres Society,		500
stown,		Irving Society,		500
rille,	1849	Montgomery Association,	O. W. Treadwell,	115
rille,		Academy Library,	·	150
Spring,	1841	Sandy Spring Company,	J. Gilpin,	500
		DISTRICT OF COLUMN	BIA.	
etown,	1792	College Library,	J. M. Finotti,	26,100
ington,	1800	Congress Library,	J. S. Meehan,	
ington,		House of Representatives,	P. Williams,	12,000
ngton,	1781	State Department,		. 7,000
ngton,	1882	War Department,	C. Lanman,	8,000
ngton,	1821	Columbian College,		6,200
ngton,		Navy Department,		8,000
ngton,		Patent Office,		6,000
ngton,		Treasury Department,	J. Taliafero,	2,000
ngton,		Engineer Department,		1,700
ngton,	1814	Washington Library,		5,000
ngton,	18 46	Smithsonian Institution,	C. C. Jewett,	7,159
ngton,	1840	National Institute,	J. H. Causten,	3,178
ngton,		Jefferson Apprentices,		2,000
ngton,	1842	Observatory,		200
		VIRGINIA.		
rille,		Academy Library,		1,000
ny,	1840	Bethany College,		8,500
own,	1882	Macon College,		8,000
ottes,	1825	University of Virginia,	W. Westenbaker,	18,878
r, ·		Emory and Henry College,	E. Longley,	8,001
x County		Theological Seminary,	Prof. Packard,	4,995
gton,	1776	Washington College,	P. Calhoun,	4,997

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Lexington,	1841	Virginia Military,	F. H. Smith,	2,500
Madinson,	1842	Library Association,	T. J. Humphrey,	858
Northumberland,	1819	Academy Library,		150
Parkersburg,	1844	Literary Association,	S. C. Shaw,	860
Prince Ed. Co.,	1812	Union Theological Seminary,	S. S. Graham,	4,306
Prince Ed. Co.,	1783	Hampden Sidney College,		8,000
Premtytown,	1889	Rector College,		2,500
Richmond,	1828	State Library,	W. K. Richardson,	14,000
Richmond,	1881	Historical and Philosophical,	W. Maxwell,	1,200
Richmond,	1848	Richmond College,		1,200
Richmond,		Library Association,		1,600
Romney,	1819	Literary Society,	A. P. White,	1,000
Williamsburg,	1692	William and Mary College,	M. J. Smead,	5,000
		NORTH CAROLINA.		
Chapel Hill,	1789	University of North Carolina,	A. G. Brown,	18,300
Mecklenburg,		Davidson College,		5,000
Raleigh,		State Library,		8,000
Salem,	1804			1,500
Valle Crucis,		Mission School,		1,500
Wake Forest,		College Libraries,		4,700
		SOUTH CAROLINA.		
Charleston,	1748	Library Society,	W. Estell,	20,000
Charleston,	1824	Apprentice's Library,	W. Estell,	8,500
Charleston,		College of Charleston,		2,000
Charleston,		Medical College,	S. L. Lockwood,	2,450
Columbia,		College Library,	F. W. McMaster,	17,000
Columbia,		Clasiosophic Society,		700
Columbia,		Euphradian Society,		700
Columbia,	1831	Theological Seminary,	G. Howe,	4,754
Furman,	1826	Theological Seminary,		1,500
Greenwood,	1848	Hodge's Institute,	L. Howard,	500
Lexington,	1888	Theological Seminary,	E. W. Hazelius,	1,560
		GEORGIA.		
Athens,	1881	Franklin College,	J. Jackson,	18,600
Augusta,	1888	Medical College,	L. A. Dugas,	4,000
Augusta,	1848	Young Men's,	T. Courtney,	1,510
Macon,	1839	Female College,		850
Millidgeville,	1838	Oglethorpe University,		4,000
Oxford,	1839	Emory College,	J. M. Bonnell,	2,700
Pennfield,	1838	Mercer University,	S. P. Sanford,	4,000
Savannah,	1839	Historical and Savannah Society,		7,000
		ALABAMA.		
La Grange,		College Library,		8.000

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n,	1842	Howard College,		1,500
е,	1885	Franklin Society,		1,454
g Hill, _		College Library,		4,000
loosa,	1981	University Libraries,	R. S. Gould,	7,128
		FLORIDA.		
cola,	1847	Naval Hospital,	G. L. Brown,	1,887
ıgustine,		Judicial Library,		2,000
125500,	1945	State Library,		2,000
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on,	1838	State Library,	J. W. Patton,	5,000
orne Co.,	1831	Oakland College,	J. Chamberlain,	6,000
d,	1848	University of State,		1,600
ington,		College Library,		1,000
		LOUISIANA.		
d Coteau,	1838			4,000
ousas,	1839	Franklin College.		
1 Rouge,	1833	State Library,	P. Caire,	7,000
n Rouge,		College Libraries,		1,000
riers,		Jefferson College,		6,000
30n,		Louisiana College,		5,000
		TEXAS.		
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pendence,		Baylor University,	•	800
		ARKANSAS.	•	
з Rock,		Lyceum Library,		1,000
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mbia,	1884	,	J. Sherman,	2,500
mbia,	1839	Female Institute,		8,500
nville,		College Libraries,		8,000
xville,	1819	Tennessee University,	A. Lee,	4,500
,	1844	Cumberland,	W. Mariner,	5,000
•		College Library,	J. S. Craig,	8,700
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Covington,	1845	Theological Institute,	A. Drury,	
Danville,	1824	Center College,		
Frankfort,	1884	State Library,	R. D. Harlan,	
Georgetown,	1887	Georgetown College,	D. Thomas,	
Georgetown,		Students' Libraries,		
Georgetown,	1888	Female Institute,		
Harrodsburg,		Bacon College,		
Lexington,		Students' Libraries,		
Lexington,	1848	Transylvania College,		
Drennon Springs	, 18 4 7	Western Military Institute,		
Louisville,		Louisville Library,	W. Johnston,	
Louisville,	1838	Historical Society,		
Louisville,		Law School,		
Louisville,		Medical Library,		
Marion Co.,		St. Mary's College,		
Princeton,	1826	Cumberland College,		
Shelbyville,		Shelby College,		
		OHIO.		
Athens,	1804	University Library,	W. J. Hoge,	
Blendon,	1848	Central College,	J. S. Henderson,	
Cincinnati,	1885	Mercantile Library,	T. G. Foster,	
Walnut Hill,	1882	Lane Seminary,	·	
Cincinnati,	1841	St. Xavier College,		
Cincinnati,	1829	Mechanics' Institute,	S. Warner,	
Cincinnati,	1881	Historical and Philosophical,	G. W. Kendall,	
Cincinnati,		Apprentices' Library,	•	
Cincinnati,	1826	Medical College,	A. Dennison,	
Cincinnati,	1840	Orphan Asylum,	Miss Wood,	
Cincinnati,		Woodward College,	·	
Cleveland,		Medical College,		
Cleveland,		State Library,	J. Grevier,	
Delaware,	1845	Wesleyan University,	Prof. McCabe,	
Gambier,	1824	Kenyon College,	•	
Granville,	1886	College Societies,		
Hullsborough,	1840	Female Seminary,	Miss Parker,	
Hudson,	1826	Western Reserve,	H. N. Day,	
Marietta,	1885	Marietta College,	• ,	
New Athens,		Franklin College,		
Oberlin,	1888	Institute Libraries,		
Oxford,	1809	Miami University,	J. C. Moffat,	
Springfield,	1846	Williamsburg College,	H. K. Geiger,	
Springfield,	1882	Lyceum Library,	E. M. Doty,	
Steubenville,	1847	City Library,	D. F. Cobb,	
Zanesville,	1828	Athenæum,	•	

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Bloomington,	1816	State University
Bloomington.		Monroe County,

Location	Founde d	Title.	Librarian.	Volumes
Crawfordsville,	1883	Wabash College,	C. Mills,	6,100
Evansville,		Vanderburg County,		2,000
Franklin,		College Libraries,		60
Greencastle,		University Library,		2,70
South Hanover,	1829	Hanover College,		4,50
Laporte,		Medical College.		
Indianapolis,	1825	State Library,	J. B. Dillon,	7,00
Logansport,		Sigourney Library.		
Northbend,	1842	St. Mary's,	E. A. Dassauex,	2,00
Vincennes,	1806	Public Library,	W. M. Hill,	1,70
Bloomington,	·	County Library,		-4,000
		ILLINOIS.		
Chicago,	1842	Mechanic's Library,	A. D. Taylor,	1,000
Galesburg,	1844	Knox College,	J. S. Kuhn,	1,40
Godfrey,	1888	Female Seminary,		1,00
Jacksonville,	1880	College Library,	W. Coffin,	4,00
Lebanon,	1820	McKendree College,	A. Cummins,	7,00
Springfield,		State Library,		4,00
et Clair County	7,	German Library,		1,82
Upper Alton,		Shurtleff College,	W. Leverett,	1,52
		MISSOURI.		
Cupe Girardeau	•	St. Mary's College,		5,50
Columbia,	1842	Missouri University,	R. S. Holmes,	1,2 0
syette,	18 49	Howard High School,		50
efferson City,	1829	State Library,	W. E. Dunscomb,	4,68
lefferson,		Historical and Philosophical,		80
Palmyra,		Masonic College,		2,50
Palmyra,		St. Charles College,		90
t Louis,	1829	University Library,	W. P. Curtiss,	12,50
t Louis,		Society Libraries,	G. Girsch,	1,08
i. Louis,	1846	Mercantile Association,	W. P. Curtis,	7,00
t Louis,	1840	Law Library,		1,50
		MICHIGAN.		
libion,	1848	Wesleyan College,		70
nn Arbor,	1887	Michigan University,	A. Seager,	6,40
Detroit,		St. Phillips College,	= :	3,00
etroit,	1888	Young Men's Society,	J. S. Van Alstyn,	1,81
ansing,	1886	State Library,	• •	4,40
lonroe,		Public Library,		1,50
pring Arbor,	•	Central College,		1,60
		Township Libraries,		48,92
		District School,		3,29
		IOWA.		
owa City,	1839	State Library,	L. B. Patterson,	1,00
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		wisconsin.		
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Beloit,		Beloit College,		2,000
Madison,	1886	State Library,	G. P. Delaplaine,	4,000
Milwaukie,		Young Men's Association,		1,000
		MINNESOTA.		
St. Paul,	1849	Historical Society,	C. Cavileer.	
St. Paul,		Territorial Library,		8,000
St. Anthony,	1849	Library Association,		200

The Smithsonian Institution,*

WHAT IT HAS DONE, AND WHAT IT IS DOING.

In the "Literary Almanac" for 1852, some facts were given in regard to the organization of the Smithsonian Institution and its proposed plan of operation. Its general arrangements seem to be now understood by most intelligent persons; but there appears to be much ignorance among educated people, the conductors of the public press, and the advocates of particular theories of popular education, in regard to the details of the plan which has been adopted by the Institution, and still more in regard to the results which are actually accomplished.

We frequently see complaints and suggestions arising from well-meaning sources, which would not have been made public if their authors had understood the subject they discussed. In addition to the general fact that Smithson himself directed his fund to be devoted not only to the diffusion, but also to the advancement of knowledge, two things must be borne in mind.

First, that strange as it may appear to those who think its resources are unlimited, the Smithsonian is actually cramped for funds. The very general terms of the bequest—the promotion of "knowledge" among men—prevents the Institution from devoting its fund to any single object, however desirable that end may be. It must direct its income to various purposes, each one of which might easily consume the whole. But this income, small in itself, not more than twenty-five or thirty thousand dollars, grows wonderfully less when divided into numerous portions. A single patent office

^{*} In the preparation of this article free use has been made of the printed reports of the Institution, although the officers are in no way responsible for the opinions which are advanced.

report costs more than three times the annual income of this Institution. The Astor Library has, for its establishment merely, besides its building and exclusive of the fund for its maintenance, more than four times the sanual income of the Smithsonian. The annual receipts of the American Tract Society are eight times those of the Institution at Washington.

It must not, therefore, be thought strange that every thing which it would be desirable to have done "for the advancement and diffusion of knowledge among men," is not accomplished by the Smithsonian Institution, while the skill which has been exercised in the apportionment of the fund may well attract our admiration.

But, secondly, it should be remembered, that the act of congress establishing this institution, imposed upon it, in opposition to the wishes of many of its ablest supporters, the necessity of establishing a museum, a library, and courses of lectures, which in themselves demand large outlays, and for the accommodation of which a large and very expensive building must be erected and kept in constant order and repair, so that the immediate influence of a large portion of its expenditure has thus far been confined to its immediate vicinity. For this, congress, and not the Board of Regents, is entirely responsible.

But notwithstanding that the total amount which can annually be expended is so small itself, and that it is in part appropriated by the act of congress to local and static objects, which cannot be appreciated away from the District of Columbia, it is surprising for us to see how much the Smithsonian Institution has actually accomplished. The variety and extent of its operations are only equaled by their high character, commanding, as they do, the respect and admiration of those in our own land best qualified to judge, as well as of liberal scholars abroad.

Our limits will not allow us to enumerate all which has already been accomplished; but we shall attempt to show in part what the Smithsonian Institution has done and is doing.

I. First we mention its standard quarto publications.

Four of these volumes, of uniform size and appearance, numbering in all nearly two thousand pages, and containing twenty-four original treatises in various departments of science, illustrated by three hundred and fourteen engravings, have already been published. Other similar works are announced as nearly ready for publication, and still more are in preparation.

The character of these treatises is of a high order. They are upon a great variety of topics, and contain the results of original American investigations in the departments to which they belong. Although not designed for "popular" reading, they furnish to the scholars and scientific men of this and other countries, those materials which are constantly brought out in various modified forms for the education of the people and the so-called

"practical" good of mankind. They are widely disseminated—not sent to favored individuals, nor distributed like "official documents," at the caprice of public functionaries, but uniformly placed in all the public libraries of this country, where any one may use them. They are also sent to the libraries and learned societies of Europe, thereby still further diffusing "among mankind," as Smithson himself directed, the information they contain. The letters which have been received in acknowledgment, from those who are extolled by the advocates of practical science, from Brewster, Faraday, Liebig, Humboldt, and many more, are gratifying indications of their appreciation of these works. But this is not all. The valuable memoirs of these various foreign societies are received in return, and rare and important publications thereby become accessible to the students of our own country, stimulating them to new investigations, and aiding them in their efforts.

The contents of these four volumes are as follows.

Volume I. is an elaborate account of the "Ancient Monuments of the Mississippi Valley," prepared by Messrs. Squier & Davis.

Volume IL contains the following memoirs:

- 1. Researches Relative to the Planet Neptune. By Sears C. Walker, Esq.
- 2. On the Vocal Sounds of Laura Bridgeman, the Blind Deaf Mute at Boston, compared with the elements of Phonetic Language. By Dr. Francis Lieber.
- 3. Microscopical Examination of Soundings made by the United States Coast Survey, off the Coast of the Atlantic, United States. By Prof. J. W. Bailey.
- 4. Contributions to the Physical Geography of the United States. By Charles Ellet, Jun.
- 5. Mosasaurus, and the three allied new Genera, Holcodus, Conosaurus, and Amphorosteus. By Robert W. Gibbes, M. D.
- 6. The Classification of Insects from embryological Data. By Professor L. Agassiz.
- 7. On the Explosiveness of Nitre, with a view to elucidate its Agency in the Explosion of July, 1845, in New York. By Dr. Robert Hare.
- 8. Microscopical Observations made in South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. By Prof. J. W. Bailey.
- 9. Aboriginal Monuments of the State of New York, comprising the Results of Original Surveys and Explorations; with an illustrative Appendix. By E. G. Squier.
- 10. Ephemeris of the Planet Neptune for the date of the Lalande Observations of May 8th and 10th, 1795, and for the oppositions of 1847, '48 and '49. By Sears C. Walker, Esq.
- Ephemeris of the Planet Neptune for the year 1850. By Sears C.
 Walker, Esq.

- Ephemeris of the Planet Neptune for the year 1851. By Sears C. Walker, Esq.
- 13. Occultations visible in the United States during the year 1851. Computed by John Downes, Esq.

Volume III. comprises the following treatises:

- 1. Observations on Terrestial Magnetism. By John Locke, M. D., M. A. P. S.
 - 2. Researches on Electrical Rheometry. By A. Secchi.
- 3. Contributions to the Natural History of the Fresh Water Fishes of North America. By Charles Girard. I. A Monograph of the Cottoids.
- 4. Nereis Boreali-Americana; or, Contributions to a History of the Marine Algæ of North America. By William Henry Harvey, M. D., M. R. J. A. Part I. Melanospermeæ.
- 5. Plantæ Wrightianæ Texano-Neo-Mexicanæ. By Dr. Asa Gray, M. D. Part I.
- 6. The Law of Deposit of the Flood Tide; its dynamical action and office. By Charles Henry Davis, Lieut. United States Navy.
 - 7. Description of Ancient Works in Ohio. By Charles Whittlesley.
- 8. Occultations visible in the United States during the year 1852. Computed by John Downes, Esq.
 - 9. Ephemeris of Neptune for the year 1852. By Sears C. Walker, Eq.

Volume IV., issued at the partial expense of the Smithsonian Institution, is a Grammar and Dictionary of the Dakota Language, collected by the members of the Dakota Mission, and edited by Rev. S. R. Riggs, A. M., Missionary of the American Board for Foreign Missions.

From this enumeration, it will appear that the Smithsonian Institution is publishing important information on very various subjects, and not only so, but that some of its most valuable contributions could scarcely have been issued without the aid of some such fund.

We have alluded to other works in preparation. Two or three of these are nearly ready for the press; one entitled, Plantæ Fremontianæ; or, Descriptions of Plants collected by Col. Fremont, in California, prepared by Prof. Torrey, another, Plantæ Wrightianæ, Part 2; or, Descriptions of Plants collected by Mr. Wright, in an Expedition from Texas to El Pasas, prepared by Prof. Gray. A third comprises observations on the Dip, Intensity, &c. of the Magnetic Force, in various parts of the United States. By Prof. Locke, of Cincinnati.

Of other works not so far advanced, not the least important is the Report upon Works relating to the early History of our Country, now preparing by Henry Stevens, Esq., of London.

II. In addition to its more elaborate and scientific memoirs, the Smithson

ian Institution has published several minor Reports, printed in the o form and intended for general circulation.

Among these may be mentioned, a Report upon the Public Librar the United States, prepared by Prof. Jewett, the Assistant Secrets charge of the Library, and setting forth the history and statistics a various Libraries in our land. "The general interest with which this ume has been received, is indicated by the amount of statistics which been received in return for the work."

Prof. Jewett has also very nearly ready for distribution, a con Report upon a new method of Printing the Catalogues of Libraries by 1 of Stereotype Blocks. To this he has added a well digested system of for the preparation of Catalogues of Books.

A small work has been prepared by Prof. Baird, giving special tions in regard to the collecting and preserving of Specimens in Ni History, answering a similar end with "The Admiralty Manual," but especially designed for our own country.

A series of meteorological tables have also been issued, of great util connection with the observations which are spoken of, hereafter, as n progress throughout our land.

An interesting account of the History of the Discovery of the I Neptune, from the pen of B. N. Gould, Jun., of Boston, has also been in this octave form.

Doctor Gray, of Cambridge, is preparing a work originally intende believe, for the octave series of the Reports, but which may yet appear quarto form, upon "The Forest Trees of North America," which wil valuable contribution not only to the botany but to the economical a namental arts of our country.

"A report has also been published on the recent improvements i chemical arts. It is compiled from articles which have appeared durin last ten years, in the various journals of science and the arts, in the Er French, and German languages; and it is chiefly intended to benefit the tical man. The preparation of this report was intrusted to Professor C. Booth, assayer of the United States Mint, at Philadelphia, who asso with himself Mr. Campbell Morfit of Baltimore. Notes will be made new inventions of the same class as they appear in the journals; so t the course of a few years, another report of a similar kind, or one may be considered a continuation of this, can be published."

III. The Smithsonian Institution has been disposed to favor new extions and researches, the results of some of which are indicated in the publications mentioned above. The works of Squier, Culbertson, Wrigh others, alluded to above, come under this division. During the year the partial expenses of an agent in West Indies and Panama, have

defrayed by the Institution, an ample return for which has been received in new and rare specimens.

Prof. Baird and Mr. Girard have also made explorations, at a slight expense to the Institution, in various parts of this country.

IV. The Smithsonian Institution is doing much to advance the science of Meteorology. The advantages which will attend a knowledge of the Laws of Storms are so great that it is strange that those merchants whose property is especially exposed to the injury of wind and weather, have not individually done more for the advancement of this science. But what should have been done years ago in this matter, this Institution now aims to accomplish. A recent letter, dated at Washington, from a source which may be relied on, thus describes the operations of this particular department.

"The Institution has a corps of trained, intelligent men, between two and three hundred in number, extended over the entire continent, and making frequent observations, many with standard instruments. All the observations at the military posts and naval stations, as well as in the vessels of the mercantile and government marine (through the Observatory), are freely at its command, and are used. The States of Massachusetts and New York pay men to observe, and furnish instruments for observation, and the results are transmitted here. The returns for each month fill a large folio volume. Nor does this matter accumulate unused. A competent gentleman has been long engaged in jotting down the observations for particular days of interest, upon a large physical map of North America and the Atlantic Ocean, developing laws of great importance, which would have been presented at this year's meeting of the American Association, had it taken place. No institution or government in the world is now doing anything like as much for Meteorology as the Smithsonian. It has planned and executed the great system of observations, has imported standard instruments, and rated and constructed hundreds of barometers and thermometers, used all over the continent. It has published full directions for observing, has now in press a series of hygrometrical, barometrical, hypsometrical, and many other tables of prime importance, amounting to upwards of three hundred pages. This, and much more, for Meteorology alone."

V. Something has been done towards the formation of a library, although here, as in other departments, the plan has been to do what has not been undertaken elsewhere in this country.

Seventy-one thousand and fifty-nine volumes have been accumulated; many by the copyright regulations, and many by donations. Pamphlets, engravings, &c., would swell the total to nearly twelve thousand.

The most valuable portion of the library consists of those publications of

European Societies, which have been received in acknowledgment of the publications of this Institution. In other scientific works, and in periodicals, the library presents a good assortment.

Prof. Jewett is doing much for the general advancement of the libraries of this country, aside from his especial duties in connection with this collection.

VI. Objections exist in regard to the establishment of a museum. The expense required by the care of such specimens as would be placed in the museum, is very large. Something, however, has been done towards collecting specimens in Natural History. They belong to various classes, not all of which are yet arranged.

"The following enumeration is made, however, of the alcoholic preparations belonging to the Institution:—Mammalia, 36; Reptiles, 554; Fishes, 1,082; Articulata, 114; Mollusca, 20; Radiata, 16; Miscellaneous, 65. The entire number of jars, therefore, varying in size from two gallons to one ounce, and now actually filled, exceeds 1850. But many of these contain more than one species, so that when all now on hand are properly assorted, the number will amount to nearly 2,500. There are, besides, nearly twenty kegs and large vessels filled with duplicate specimens, for exchange, or with species too large for jars, together with several not yet assorted."

Prof. Baird has charge of this department, and in various other ways is engaged in advancing the cause of Natural Science.

VII. Another valuable thing which the Smithsonian is beginning to accomplish, is the acting as a medium for communication between individuals and societies in different places.

This it accomplishes in three ways. First, by the diffusion of information which is not always accessible in print.

The recent report (August 20, 1852) of Prof. Henry, remarks, that "the institution is continually applied to for information relative to almost every department of Literature and Science. Respectful attention is always given to these applications; and when the desired answer does not fall within the line of study of any officer of the institution, it is sought for from those in whose knowledge and judgment we have full confidence. No inconsiderable portion of time is occupied in giving the information involved in the answer to these inquiries; but I am happy to inform the Board that in this service, as well as that of examining memoirs, we have received the cooperation of a considerable number of the most distinguished individuals in our country, and in scarcely a single case has application for assistance in this way been refused. By the operation of the plan adopted, the Institution can command the talents and learning of the world; and with a small corps of permanent officers, or a sufficient clerical force, can discharge the duty of an association to which subjects relative to all branches of knowledge can be referred."

Secondly, the Institution has undertaken to send abroad, free of charge, the publications of the various learned Societies of our land, and to distribute at home those which are received in return. The entire number of different addresses borne by the packages, over five hundred in number, amounted last year, to two hundred and ninety-one, of which two hundred and one were of institutions in correspondence with the Smithsonian Institution. A third way in which it carries out this idea, is by encouraging exchanges with foreign societies of specimens of Natural History; and another plan, not yet in operation, is the publication, at intervals, of such literary or scientific intelligence as it may be important to announce promptly, and which may be within the knowledge of the Institution alone.

VIII. A few courses of lectures have annually been given. Those of last year, which we mention as examples of what has been done in this way, were as follows:

Six lectures on History and one on Poetry by Dr. Samuel H. Cox, of New York. Two lectures on Induction and Association, by Dr. Ludlow, of Pennsylvania. Five lectures on Entomology, and one on the Alps, by Dr. Morris, of Maryland. Two lectures on the history of the English Language, by Prof. Fowler, of Massachusetts. One lecture on the Architecture of the Middle Ages, by Dr. Vinton, of Mass. Two lectures on the Mechanism of Speech, by Prof. Haldeman, of Pennsylvania. Two lectures on Geology, by Prof. Silliman, Sen., of Connecticut.

Such are a portion, and only a portion, of the results which the Smithsonian Institution, with its small income, has already accomplished. The skill displayed in its management is owing in a very great degree to its judicious secretary, Professor Henry, whose liberal mind, far-sighted policy, and sound judgment, have done far more than is generally known for the proper accomplishment of the aims of Smithson. He has been ably supported by Professors Jewett and Baird.

Under its present system of operations the Smithsonian can hardly fail to have a high character wherever it is known, to be an object of gratitude and pride to every American, and to prove a fitting monument to its beneficent founder.

List of Publishers

Whose Publications will be found in our List of American Publications.
the Present Year.

* Printers. † Now extinct as a Firm.

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Geo, AdamsBoston.	*Gideon, & Co Washington.
Adriance, Sherman & Co.New York.	J. & J. L. Gihon Philadelphia.
Alden, Beardsley & Co Auburn.	Gobright, Thorne & Co
Am. Bapt. Pub. Soc Philadelphia.	Gould & LincolnBoston.
Am. Sunday Sch. Union . "	Wm. Gowans New York.
American Tract Society . New York.	Gray, Sprague & CoAlbany.
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Henry F. Anners Philadelphia.	Hall, Mills & CoSyracuse.
D. Appleton & Co New York.	A. G. Hall
*R. Armstrong Washington. H. Baillière New York.	U. R. Hammeth, Jun Newport.
H. Baillière New York.	Harper & BrosNew York.
S. F. Baird	A. HartPhiladelphia.
tJohn Ball New Orleans.	W. S. Haven Pittsburgh.
Banks, Gould & Co New York.	W. P. HazardPhiladelphia.
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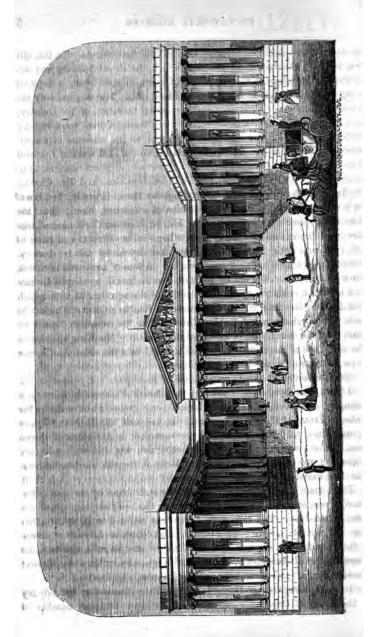
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The British Museum owes its establishment to a suggestion in the will of Sir Hans Sloane, a London physician of eminence, who died in the year 1753. During a long and busy life, Sir Hans had collected a large library of books and manuscripts, together with an immense number of miscellaneous antiquities, works of art, and objects of natural history. Anxious that his collection should form the nucleus of a national museum, the aged physician directed by his will, that it should be offered for sale to the British parliament, after his death, for the sum of £20,000, which was £30,000 less than it had cost himself. Should parliament refuse to make the purchase, it was further directed that the collection should be offered for the same sum to certain foreign societies that were named in the will; and if these societies should not embrace the offer, then it was to be sold at public auction.

The British parliament accepted this offer, by an act passed in the year 1753, and by the same act directed that the Cottonian Library, a collection of valuable historical manuscripts which had been made by Sir Robert Cotton, of Connington, during the reign of Elizabeth and James I., and which had been acquired by government in the reign of Queen Anne, should be added to the Sloane collection, together with a library of about 2,000 printed volumes, called Major Arthur Edwards's Library, that had existed as an appendage to the Cottonian Library since 1738, in which year it had been bequeathed to the trustees by its proprietor. Thus, a considerable addition was made to the book department of the Sloane collection. But this department was ordered to be still further increased by the purchase, for £10,000, of the Harleian Library of manuscripts, a splendid collection of about 7600 volumes of rolls, charters and other historical documents, which had been accumulated by Robert Harley, Earl of Oxford, and his son and successor Edward.

In 1757, King George II. made a gift to the museum of the Library of the Kings of England, a collection embracing an immense number of



printed volumes from the reign of Henry VII., downwards. To this gift was annexed the important privilege which the Royal Library had acquired in the reign of Queen Anne, of being supplied with a copy of every new publication entered at Stationers' Hall. It was thus only necessary to seek for contributions in the earlier literature of the country, and in that of foreign nations. And such contributions were rapidly made. In 1768, George III. made a present to the museum of a voluminous collection of pamphlets, &c., relating to the civil wars of England between 1640 and 1660; and among subsequent additions may be enumerated the musical libraries of Sir John Hawkins and Dr. Charles Burney; a collection of old English plays by David Garrick; Dr. Bentley's collection of the Classics, annotated by his own hand; the Law Library of Francis Hargrave, Esq.; a collection of works on natural history, made by Sir Joseph Banks, and a large mass of tracts and pamphlets relating to the French Revolution, purchased by the trustees at different times, and of very great value. Another large addition was made in 1828, when George IV. presented to the public a splendid library that had been collected by his father during his long reign, at an expense of little less than £200,000. It was ordered that this library, which contains many rare books, should be attached to the museum, but kept apart from the other collections under the name of 'The King's Library.' The library was still further increased in 1847, by the collection of books bequeathed to it by the Rt. Hon. Thomas Grenville, amounting to 20,210 volumes, obtained by him at an expense of £54,000.

The whole number of books in the British Museum Library now amounts to 490,000 volumes, of which at least one-third have been presented. From 1846-50, it increased at the rate of 27,000 volumes annually, about 10,000 of which were received by copyright or as donations. The number of books purchased depends entirely upon the annual appropriations of Parliament, which, during the abovementioned years, averaged £7,200.

The library opens out of the hall on the right hand or east side. On entering, we find ourselves in a handsome room, 73 feet long by 83 feet wide, devoted to the splendid collection of the Right Hon. Thomas Grenville. It consists chiefly of rare editions and copies of the classics, many of them unique, all beautifully bound and in the finest condition. To several of the books, notes, in Mr. Grenville's hand-writing, are attached; showing at once the great value of the bequest, and his own extensive learning and unwearying energy and liberality in the acquirement of his

bibliographical treasures. On the right-hand side of the room is a bust of Mr. Grenville, presented by Sir David Dundas; and a table where, as in the hall, short guide-books to the library may be purchased for two-pence. On the left, in handsomely carved glazed cases, are exhibited two copies of the celebrated Mazarine Bible, the first book, as well as the first Bible, ever printed with moveable types, the one on vellum belonging to the Grenville collection and having been purchased for little short of £500; the first Psalter, being the first book with a date and the earliest example of printing in colors, and various other rarities.

From the Grenville room we enter the MSS. department, a large and heavy-looking room, whose dingy walls and blackened ceiling-strangers to whitewash for three-and-twenty years—give it a sort of solemn, grim, literary look that considerably enhances the effect of the beautiful and interesting relics displayed in its cases. On either side of the door are cases containing autographs of great and distinguished men. In one division may be seen original letters of all the great Reformers; in another, those of English Kings; in a third, those of Newton, Locke, Bacon, Pope, &c. In one, the bold, dashing signature of Rupert; in another, the stubborn hand of Oliver Cromwell. One case is devoted to charters of most of the early English Sovereigns (including one of William the Conqueror), another to the letters of foreign Princes-Napoleon, Peter the Great, Louis XIV., and many more; and still another is filled with various Eastern MSS., chiefly intended to illustrate the variety of materials used for writing, viz., bark, leaves, wood, gold, silver, &c., and containing some Persian and Chinese paintings of extraordinary finish and brightness. To the left of this, against the wall, is an upright case containing an ancient Latin MS. of the Bible, for some time supposed to have been the property of Charlemagne; while immediately opposite are two rolls of the Hebrew Scripture in a similar case. In two table-cases, right and left of the door, leading out of the room, which we now approach, are several MSS. of almost priceless value. The most remarkable, though far from the most beautiful of these, is the celebrated Codex Alexandrinus, the most ancient copy of the Greek Bible known to exist. It is in four volumes, and written on parchment in what is called the uncial character. Beside it is the no less famous Durham book, being a copy of the Scriptures in Latin, with a commentary in Anglo-Saxon, illuminated in a most wonderfully elaborate and beautiful style, and supposed to have been written between the years 690 and 720. finest of all these treasures is in the right-hand table-case. It is a splendid MS. of Valerius Maximus, illuminated in a style of surpassing beauty and richness, and exciting astonishment, no less by the vivid coloring of the scenes than by the extreme accuracy and finish of the drawing. We need scarcely add, that its value is inestimable. In the next compartment are two or three of the exquisitely-illuminated Missals, "by monkysshe labourre wroughte."

Passing between two lofty oak doors, beautifully inlaid with bronze, we next enter the Royal or King's Library. This magnificent gallery is of considerable, perhaps disproportionate, length, measuring from door to door no less than 300 feet, and occupying the remaining portion of the east wing. It is 41 feet in width, except in the middle compartment, where it increases to 58 feet, and is 30 feet in height—the uniform elevation of the whole suite of rooms. The floor is of polished oak, handsomely inlaid; and the ceiling, especially in the center, richly decorated. All the presses on the ground-floor are protected by trellis doors of brass wire, which, with the bright brass railing of the galleries, add very much to the appearance of this splendid library. In each recess caused by the additional width of the centre are two Corinthian columns of polished granite, valued at £1,000 each; the shafts being single blocks, nearly 20 feet high, and 2 feet 6 inches in diameter. This room contains, as we have before stated, the Library of King George III., said to have been presented by George IV. to the British nation. This noble collection is, as far as it goes and for its size, the most perfect ever formed. It consists of about 80,000 volumes, comprising some of the rarest specimens of early printing, and is especially rich in valuable classics and the productions of Caxton's press. The number of historical, geographical and topographical English works, is also very great. In table-cases on both sides of the centre are shown various objects of typographical and bibliographical interest. On one side is a compartment devoted to early Hebrew books; on the other, a similar compartment filled with Aldine classics on vellum, and numerous other treasures, such as Dominie Sampson would have shouted "Prodigious!" for half an hour to behold. Along the whole length of the King's Library, on its eastern side, but rising no higher than the window-sills, is a supplementary gallery, lately erected; called very appropriately the Long Room. It is devoted to the recent and daily augmenting accessions to the General Library.

From the King's Library we pass into a vestibule whence a staircase leads up to the Natural History department, and a door, which faces us, into the Eastern or first Reading-room. Thither the public are prevented from intruding by a barrier. So we turn sharp to the left, and enter the

first room of the General Library. This is in part occupied by the collection bequeathed by Sir Joseph Banks (after whom it is named), consisting chiefly of natural history and travels. It is a room of moderate size, but giving, like the succeeding rooms, with one exception, an impression of unnecessary darkness as well as loss of space above the gallery book-cases.

The next room in which we find ourselves, and which we enter from the Banksian Room, at the south-east corner, is called the Great or Large Room-a sufficiently obvious appellation. It is a saloon of colossal dimensions, though much broken up by the recesses on each side, the projections forming which are terminated by square pillars supporting the roof. It measures 80 feet long and 90 feet wide, and occupies the whole depth of the north front, so that it is lighted with windows on both sides. Thence, looking in the direction we have come, we catch a glimpse of the Reading rooms and their studious occupants, through the glass window that separates them from the Library, and through which the books are passed. On both sides of this window are arranged the volumes of the supplementary catalogue—the main body of it is in the recess on the left. Duplicates of both are in the Reading-rooms; the belief that there is no catalogue of the Library, or one reaching to letter A, being a popular error. Tickets of the Reading-rooms, empowering the holder to read for six months, and then to renew the permission if he pleases, are granted to any one on an application by letter to Sir H. Ellis, the Principal, enclosing a satisfactory recommendation. This may be procured from any person of eminence in rank or profession, or from any clergyman, especially if an incumbent and dating from his parish. recommendation of a firm is not sufficient, though that of an individual member of it-if a respectable one-will generally be accepted; that responsibility of firms, as firms, which is pretty generally recognized in the case of a bond or cheque, being supposed in this case to have no existence. The rooms are open from nine to four in winter, and from nine to seven in the summer months, except on Saturday, when they close at five. The average number of daily readers is about 340—the average number of fresh reading tickets issued per annum is more than 2,000. There are now on the reading-room books between 40,000 and 50,000 readers.

But to return to the Large Room. All along the barriers are placed glass cases, containing bibliographical rarities of greater or less value. Here are to be seen Coverdale's Bible, the first complete edition of the Scriptures in English; "The Game and Playe of the Chesse," the first

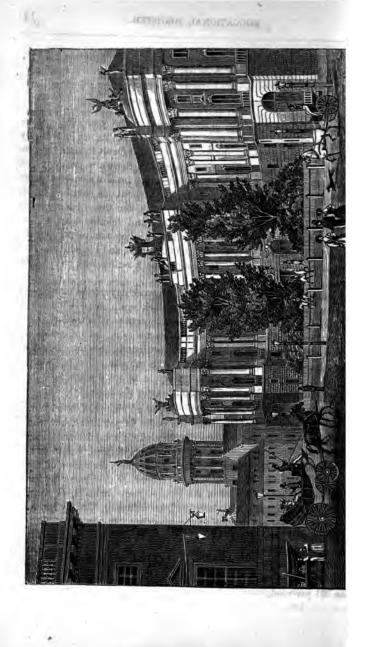
ook printed in England, having been issued from Caxton's press in 1474; he first edition of Chaucer's "Book of the Tales of Canterburye," of rhich only two perfect copies are known; and many other objects of the reatest interest.

At the south-west corner of the Large Room, and on our left as we ass out, is a door leading to the Cracherode Room, which is opposite to, and of the same dimensions as, the Banksian Room above noticed. It ontains principally the library bequeathed by the Rev. Dr. Cracherode, very rich in classics; and the collection called the King's Pamphlets, a nass of tracts and curious works, printed for the most part about the middle of the 17th century, and chiefly relating to the affairs of the nation at that period, presented by George II.

We next pass through two rooms, called respectively the First and Second Supplementary Rooms, in which there are chiefly to be noticed four cases, containing books with the autographs of illustrious men, viz., Shakespeare, Ben Jonson, Bacon, Luther, Voltaire, &c., and three others filled with specimens of ancient binding, some of them very elaborate. A door from the south side of the Second Supplementary Room leads into the Egyptian Antiquity Gallery, or west wing of the building.

Last of all we come to the Arched Room, the termination of the suite of rooms forming the library and the north front of the Museum. The double galleries of this handsome apartment produce an impression of additional height, while their pierced iron floors and the arching of the piers of the recesses give the room an appearance of lightness and elegance which show it in favorable contrast with the others.

The Officers of the Museum consist, first, of a Principal Librarian or Warden, who has nothing to do with the books in particular, but who exercises a general superintendence over the whole establishment, sees that the duties of the other officers are severally performed, grants temporary admissions to the public, and carries into effect the orders of the trustees. This post has been occupied for more than fifty years by Sir Heney Ellis; secondly, a keeper of the Printed Books, who is, de fucto, the Librarian. This office has, since 1837, been happily filled by Mr. A. Panizzi; and thirdly, a keeper of the Manuscripts, Sir Frederick Madden. Besides these there are many other officers and employés in the various departments of antiquities, minerals, prints, engravings, &c., the number of whom has been stated, in the aggregate, as high as one hundred and fifty-nine! The salaries of these range from £800 a year, to less than £1 per week.



Royal Library at Berlin.

[Compiled for Norton's Literary Register.]

The Royal Library of Berlin was founded in the year 1661. It ocwied a large edifice in the Opera Platz, erected for its use in 1780, by
distinguished Frederic the Second. It is difficult to state the prenumber of volumes which it contains, but there are probably not
than five hundred thousand printed books, besides somewhat more
ten thousand manuscripts. Liberal appropriations have been made
the government, during the last few years, for the support of this
trary; and, accordingly, about nine thousand volumes have of late
em annually added to its numbers. The annual amount allowed for the
trehase of books has, of late, been 10,000 thalers, and the sum assigned
the other expenses of the Institution has been not far from 15,000

The library is open for consultation on week days, from nine o'clock four, and on Sundays, from nine o'clock until one. Admission is by obtained to use in the library such works as it possesses, and in the government, and, under certain restrictions, to other individuals are known to the library officers. It is estimated that the number thus loaned from the library, is between thirty and forty and annually. Dr. Pertz continues to be the head librarian.

the other large European institutions, this library possesses many becamabula and curious manuscripts, as well as books, which are string from the associations therewith connected. A copy of Gutberg's Bible of 1450; an Ivory Consular Diptych of the year 416; a few comparing the Four Gospels, given in the ninth century by Charleme to Wittekind; an Album of Miniatures, by Lucas Cranch, with traits of Luther, Melancthon, the Elector John Frederick, and a large lection of autographs, may be mentioned among the articles which are interesting to casual visitors.

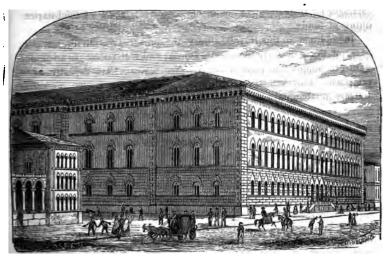
The library has no printed catalogue, but in place thereof there are in excellent ones in manuscript, both of which may be freely consulted. Due of these is alphabetical, extending through 650 volumes; the other is classified, and extends through 250 volumes. A new classified catalogue has been for some time preparing, and is now partially ready for

use. It is undersood that the Librarians regard the printing of a catalogue for their library as quite unnecessary, if not a wasteful expenditure of funds.

In addition to this Royal Library, the university at Berlin has a library of thirty or forty thousand volumes; and four public libraries, designed to supply the popular demand for reading, have recently been projected. This will be an admirable provision for a city of about 400,000 inhabitants.



VIEW OF THE FRANKFORT CITY LIBRARY.



Boyal Tibrary at Manich.

[Translated for Norton's Literary Register.]

The edifice which contains the Royal Library at Munich, as well as the general archives of the kingdom, was commenced in 1822 and completed in 1842. It is situated in Ludwig Street, and is easily recognized by four statues of Aristotle, Thucydides, Hippocrates and Homer, placed upon the steps before the principal entrance.

From the ground floor where the archives are preserved, a magnificent stair-case ascends between two marble colonnades to the library. The entrance to the first library room is adorned with two statues, one of the founder of the library, Duke Albert V., the other of Louis I., to whom the building is due. This hall is that where books are loaned. After this is a large hall, devoted to the purpose of reading and study, and open to the public daily, from eight o'clock until one, except upon fête days and holidays. A separate hall, assigned to the reading of periodical reviews, and of literary and scientific journals, is reserved for members of the academy and for professors in the university. The loaning of books is restricted to these persons just mentioned, to public

officers of at least the rank of counsellor, and resident in Munich, and to persons who obtain special permission from the minister of the interior.

Books are delivered between nine o'clock and one.

The whole number of printed works contained in the library, without regard to the number of volumes, is stated at over 400,000. In addition, there are about twenty-two thousand manuscripts. The department of incumabula contains upwards of 1,500 volumes.

Visitors at the library are not allowed to go to the shelves where the books are arranged, without being accompanied by one of the librarians. For the gratification of strangers, however, a large number of the rarest and most curious books and manuscripts are displayed in glass cases, where they can be conveniently seen.

The library has no collections of coins, medals, statues, paintings of engravings, for there are extended collections of all these objects else where in Munich. Printed books and manuscripts are the two main divisions of its property. The former of these are arranged upon the shelves into twelve principal classes, which are still further subdivided into 180 classes. The twelve main divisions are the following: 1. Encyclopædic Works, with 11 subordinate classes; 2. Philology, with 18 subordinate; 3. History, with 40 subordinate; 4. Mathematics, with 8 subordinate; 5. Physics, with 13 subordinate; 6. Anthropology, with 4 subordinate; 7. Philosophy, with 3 subordinate; 8. Æsthetics, with 15 subordinate; 9. Politics, with 6 subordinate; 10. Medicine, with 8 subordinate; 11. Jurisprudence, with 16 subordinate; and 12. Theology, with 38 subordinate divisions.

The manuscripts include 580 in Greek; 268 in Oriental languages; 313 in Hebrew; 14,000 in Latin; 4,000 in German; near 600 in French; about 500 in Italian; with some in Swedish, Slavic, English and other languages; in all, as we have already stated, not far from twenty-two thousand.

Among the objects brought out for the gratification of casual visitors, are specimens of the different materials which have been employed in the manufacture of books. Among those in the possession of the library are tablets of wax, parchment, vellum, papyrus, paper made from the filaments of bamboo, cotton paper of about the 12th century, papier de chiffe, of the year 1338, the oldest of that kind in the library, palm leaves, &c.

Among the more remarkable manuscripts may be mentioned a Breviary of King Alaric, of about the 6th or 7th century; a Latin version

of the Gospels, of about the same date; the Sermons of St. Augustin in Anglo-Saxon characters of the eighth century; a Latin manuscript of the ninth century, remarkable for a poetic fragment in German which is there inserted; a sermon of St. Augustin, once possessed by Louis le Germanique, and distinguished for a fragment of poetry in German on the margin, written, it is supposed, by the son of Charlemagne himself. Besides these, which would interest the most casual inquirer, there are others of great value to scholars, and many, which, though less old than some we have enumerated, are distinguished by the exquisite skill with which they are written and embellished.

Among early printed books may be found the first printed Bible (in Latin), the work of Guttenberg and Faust, at Mayence, between 1450 and 1455; a Latin Psaltery of the year 1459, upon vellum; *Le Rational de Durand*, of the same year, printed by Faust and Schöffer; the first books with dates which were printed at Augsburg, Nuremberg and Munich; an attempt at stereotyping made in 1558; the works of Virgil, of which the entire text is cut upon copper. These, of course, are only examples of what the library contains, but our limits forbid a more extended summary.

The Library of Sainte Genebiebe, Paris.

THE Library of Sainte Geneviève is, with the exception of the Bibliothèque Nationale, the largest and most valuable in Paris. It was founded in 1624, by Fathers Fonteau and Lallemant, of the Abbey of Ste. Geneviève, who formed a collection of about ten thousand volumes, which was afterwards augmented by Father Dumoulinet, who purchased several private collections, including that of the learned Pierese. In 1710, Letellier, Archbishop of Rheims, bequeathed to it his extensive library. Since that time it has been enriched from year to year by purchases and legacies, untill now it numbers over two hundred thousand books and three thousand MSS.

In 1843, the rooms occupied in the old Abbey being in a state of decay, and in every respect inadequate to the increasing wants of the Institution, it was decided to build a new edifice; and, on the 19th of July of that year, the Chamber of Deputies voted for the purpose the sum of

1,775,000 francs (about \$355,000). The building was finished and the library transferred in 1851. It is situated opposite the north side of the Pantheon, on the site of the old College of Montaign. The exterior is not at all striking. At a little distance, it presents more the appearance of an alms-house or a factory than of a Literary Institution; and, in contrast with the neighboring Pantheon, which towers above it like a mountain, it looks mean and insignificant.

The principal exterior ornamentation consists of sculptured wreaths and garlands of fruits and flowers, blossoming and blooming along an immense waste of cold granite, and looking as cold and out-of-place as so many petrified fruits and flowers in a desert. Up, out of sight almost, there is no lack of fine bead-work, surmounted by graceful volutes or scrolls, which, under other circumstances, would doubtless be very beautiful. The general style of the thing might be called *Ironic!* For the rest, so might the *interior* decorations, though in a more literal sense, since they are composed chiefly of *iron*.

The spaces between the windows, both on the front and ends of the building, are engraved with the names of eight hundred and ten eminent authors, commencing with Moses and winding up with BERZÉLIUS.

On the discs along the walls is seen, many times repeated, the monogram S. G.

The entrance to the building is by a vestibule, the ceiling of which rests upon iron arches supported by Doric pilasters. The ground floor to the left of the vestibule is divided into seven long galleries, fitted up with book cases; that on the opposite side contains a single hall, divided into partitions, and is used for MSS.

Between the pilasters of the vestibule are twenty niches, impartially occupied by the busts of Saint Bernard, Montaigne, Pascal, Molière, La Fontaine, Bossuet, Massillon, Voltaire, Buffon and La Place on the right, and on the left by L'Hôpital, Descartes, Poussin, P. Corneille, Racine, Fenelon, Montesquieu, Rousseau, Mirabeau, and Cuvier. Where can be found a more curious mélange of names?

The great hall is approached by a broad, elegant stair-case (painted in the Byzantine style), leading up each side, and composed of five branches. On the wall opposite the landing-place, and in face of the five bronze doors of the principal entrance, is an indifferent copy, by Balze, of Raphael's School of Athens. Flanking this are his medallions representing Science and the Fine Arts. The ceiling above the stair-case is painted in ultramarine, and interspersed with stars.

The interior of the great hall, so beautiful and so well represented by accompanying cut, is three hundred feet long by sixty feet wide, and ty feet in height. It is only necessary to add, that the pedestals are tone, the graceful columns and arches of iron, and the floor of oak is latter so well polished that one can almost skate upon it.

The arrangements of the library are said to be more convenient, both the classification and disposition of the books, than in any other blishment of the kind in Paris. The catalogues, however, are still in, and are only accessible to the librarians. The capital objection to system is, that the reader must know in advance what books he less to consult; but as he can seldom know this, but frequently goes he library expressly to find out what works exist on the particular ect he is examining, he is thus deprived of one of the chief advantages Public Library.

The Bibliothèque Ste. Geneviève, though much visited by scholars in ral, is chiefly resorted to by the students of the classical quarter in midst of which it is placed. For the convenience of this large class, library is opened evenings during the winter months, and being well med and brilliantly lighted, is (after ball-rooms and theatres) their rite resort. In fact, it was found that so many of the students of the artier Latin" were accustomed to spend whole evenings there readnovels, plays and other "light literature," that the directors were ad, for the convenience of more serious students, to adopt a rule abtely prohibiting the continuous reading of any such works.

The Libraries of Aew Pork City.

POREMOST, among the Libraries of New York, stands the Asror Lirr, a free, public institution, superior, in size and scope, to any if not l other libraries of the city. It bears the name of its founder, John b Astor, who bequeathed the sum of \$400,000 for its establishment support. A building, elegant and substantial, has been erected for commodation in Lafayette place, between Fourth and Eighth streets, hich about eighty thousand volumes have already been placed. The

process of arranging these volumes in their appropriate places is now in progress; and, when this is done, the library will be thrown open for free consultation by all who wish to enjoy its privileges. Books are not to be taken from the library, we believe; but facilities will be afforded for study and research. Many valuable works, which have been beyond the means of other libraries in the country, have been placed upon its shelves; and particular departments of learning have been made especially complete. A collection of works in bibliography, numbering several thousand volumes, and probably the most extensive in the country, has been presented to the library by Dr. J. G. Cogswell, the librarian, to whose learning and enterprise the institution and the public are under great obligations. Any one familiar with the library, will be in doubt, we think, whether most to admire the munificence of its endowment or the wisdom of its management. Messrs. Fiske and Perry are the assistant librarians.

Next to the Astor Library, in importance, some of the libraries take rank which are owned by associations of one kind and another, sometimes formed for the sole purpose of maintaining a collection of books, and sometimes for other incidental objects.

The Society Library, dating from 1754, now numbers thirty-six thousand volumes. It recently disposed of its library building, at the corner of Broadway and Leonard street, and now, for the time being, has rooms in the new Bible House, corner of Fourth Avenue and Astor Place, within a short distance of Astor Library. The erection of a permanent edifice, on University Place, is contemplated. The library is open daily, from 8 A. M. to 10 P. M., and books are lent out to members of the association, who pay \$25 for a share, and \$6 annual fees, and to temporary subscribers who pay \$10 per annum. Philip J. Forbes, Esq., is the librarian. The last catalogue appeared in 1850.

The MERCANTILE LIBRARY Association, established in 1820, is intended especially for the benefit of merchants' clerks, who pay \$2 annually as a fee for membership. Other persons may make use of the library by the payment of \$5 per annum. Forty thousand volumes are now contained in the library, which continues, for the present, to be located in Clinton Hall, corner of Beekman and Nassau streets. The property known as the Astor Place Opera House has lately been purchased for the use of the association, and plans have been adopted for its adaptation to library purposes. It is hoped that the books will be removed to their new ac-

commodations by the month of May next. S. Hastings Grant is the Librarian. A catalogue was issued in 1850, and a supplement in the following year. The library is open daily, from 10 A. M. to 10 P. M.

The APPRENTICES' LIBRARY was instituted in 1820, by the General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen. It may be used gratuitously by apprentices, for whose benefit it is especially maintained. Its rooms, at No. 479½ Broadway, have recently been neatly and conveniently re-arranged, and a new catalogue of books is about to be published. The present number of volumes in the library, including the Demilt department, is seventeen thousand. Mr. John C. Swan is the Librarian, and Mr. F. Pickett the Assistant.

The Mechanics' Institute, whose library rooms are located at No. 1 Bowery, was founded in 1830. Its library contains five thousand volumes, and is open daily, from 8 A. M. until 10 P. M. A catalogue of the books is now in preparation, and will appear soon. Members of the society have free use of the library, and others pay a small fee. James Henry, Jr., Actuary.

The PRINTERS' FREE LIBRARY was organized in 1823, by the New York Typographical Society, and is intended for the free use of Printers, Stereotypers, Engravers, Bookbinders, and all others connected with the Book and Newspaper business. They have now over three thousand volumes, which have been recently placed in convenient rooms at No. 3 Chambers street. The library is open from 6 to 10 P. M. John Craw, Librarian.

Connected with our various educational institutions are a number of very valuable libraries. At Columbia College, where Mr. W. A. Jones is Librarian and Mr. S. R. Weeks the Assistant, the present number of volumes is sixteen thousand, not including, of course, the ample private collections of some of the professors. This library dates from 1754. Since the appointment of the present librarian, the poetical and historical departments of the library have been materially improved. It is stated that new buildings, for the whole institution, are soon to be erected, on Fifth Avenue, near Forty-eighth street, when the library will undoubtedly be provided with superior accommodations.

At the New York University, Washington Square, there is no large collection of books belonging to the institution itself, but the two literary societies of the students own libraries of considerable extent.

The Union Theological Seminary, 9 University Place, possesses the celebrated Von Ess Library, and other books to the extent of eighteen thousand volumes. It is open every week day except Saturday, from 10 to 12 A. M., and 2 to 4 P. M. We are not aware that a catalogue has ever been published, but we learn that one is now in preparation. Prof. H. B. Smith is the Librarian, and S. L. Lyons, Assistant.

The GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY of the Protestant Episcopal Church have a library of twelve thousand volumes at their Institution, in West 20th street. The Philological and Patristical collection is very good, as also the department of Ecclesiastical History. C. F. Cruse, D. D., Librarian.

The Free Academy, in Lexington avenue, between 22d and 23d streets, has made a beginning for a library. The institution, as our readers are aware, is new, and has not yet been able to attend to this department with the care which has been spent in other directions. Three thousand volumes have been collected, of which the larger part are text books. Rev. J. G. Barton is the Librarian. No catalogue, we believe, has yet appeared. It is open daily from 10 to 3 o'clock.

The New York Law Institute, founded in 1830, has rooms in the west end of the new City Hall, in the Park. The library comprises four thousand seven hundred volumes, and is particularly rich in English Law Reports. It is open from $8\frac{1}{2}$ A. M. until 6 P. M., for the free use of the public; but a charge of \$80 per share is made to members of the profession. Wm. Curtis Noyes, Esq., is the principal Librarian, and John L. Tillinghast, Assistant.

The New York Hospital possesses, for the use and benefit of the physicians and medical students of the city, a library of five thousand seven hundred volumes. The terms to students are \$5 for the winter, or \$8 per year. The library is open daily, from 12 to 2 o'clock. John L. Vandevoort, Librarian.

Some of the seminaries for young ladies possess very handsome collections of books. The Rutgers and Spingler Institutes, for instance, have each a library of about four thousand volumes. The Rutgers Institute is located in Madison street, near the corner of Clinton. The Spingler Institute, a private enterprise under the charge of Rev. G. D. Abbott, was commenced in 1849, and is located on Union Square. A catalogue of the library of the latter seminary was published in 1852.

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From the libraries of our various seminaries, we turn to those of the literary and scientific societies, and among the most important of these may be mentioned the New York Historical Society. The Society is now raising funds for the erection of a fire-proof edifice, and meanwhile occupies rooms in the New York University on Washington square. Twenty-five thousand volumes are owned by the Society, in addition to many valuable manuscripts and unbound pamphlets pertaining to the history of New York. Mr. G. H. Moore is the Librarian. The library is open from 10 to 2, and from 4 to 6. A new catalogue is nearly ready for publication.

The LYCEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, founded in 1818, and located in the University Medical College, has a library of two thousand volumes, relating entirely to natural history. It is open to members of the society, on application to the Librarian, Mr. Robert Dinwiddie.

The American Institute, designed for the promotion of American Industry, has a library of seven thousand volumes, commenced in 1828, and accessible at 351 Broadway. Mr. E. A. Harris is the Librarian.

The Libraries of the American Ethnological Society, and the American Geographical and Statistical Society, are as yet but small. Each holds regular stated meetings and publishes its proceedings. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., is the Librarian of the former Society, and Rev. Jonathan Leavitt, of the latter.

There are several libraries in the city, of a religious character, in addition to those we have mentioned, which are well deserving of attention.

The AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY, at their new rooms in the Third avenue, corner of 8th street, have one of the most complete collections in the country, of the various ancient and modern editions of Scripture. Missionaries from different countries, together with the British and Foreign Bible Society, have supplied them with a great variety of versions, so that the collection is one of very great interest in the speciality to which it is devoted. The library, which numbers 1,400 volumes, is provided with fire-proof rooms. Rev. Dr. Brigham has charge of the collection. A new catalogue of the collection is soon to appear.

The Preserverian Board of Missions has a valuable library of two thousand volumes, accessible during business hours, at their rooms corner of Reade and Centre streets. One feature of this collection is unique, consisting of about one thousand volumes of Chinese books, obtained through the missionaries of the Board. A catalogue of the general is brary has been printed.

The Young Men's Christian Association have taken rooms at 655 Broadway, where they have a library of seventeen hundred volumes The society has been organized but a short time, and most of its book are the gifts of friends. It is open from 10 A. M. until 10 P. M. The Librarian is Mr. V. D. Collins.

The AMERICAN CONGREGATIONAL UNION have, within a month, madthe beginning of a library, designed for the preservation and diffusion c religious information. Rooms have been secured at Clinton Hall.

Several "parish libraries," as they would be called in New England are connected with some of our larger churches.

If our space permitted, we should like to speak in detail of the private libraries in our city, some of which are of a very complete and costly character. The collection of Bibles, belonging to Mr. Jas. Lenow the classical library of Prof. Chas. Anthon, and the Shakspeariana of Mr. Burton, are three which we cannot forbear to mention. A library of less celebrity than these, but of great completeness, we are informed in the department of Mechanics, is owned by Mr. Hoe, the renowner manufacturer.

To be quite complete we might mention, also, the circulating libraries of Francis; Miller; the German circulating library of Westermann the French library of Horsfall, and others, all of which exert an import ant influence upon the reading community. We feel confident, that there are few cities better supplied with opportunities for obtaining books than this same city of New York. Popular reading is certainly most lavishly supplied, and what new facilities the Cooper Institute will afford in addition, we are not yet able to say. If wealthy mer would come forward, and place the Historical, Geographical, Ethnological and other learned societies in easy pecuniary circumstances, they would confer a lasting benefit upon the cause of literature.

In conclusion, it will be seen that if we enumerate in a tabular form the number of volumes in the various public libraries of New York, easily accessible to those who desire their privileges, we shall have the following result:

Astor Library,								80,000	vols.
Society Library, .								86,000	66
Mercantile Library,								89,500	44
Apprentices' Library	7,							17,000	"
Mechanics' Institute.	-							5,000	"
Printers' Free Librar	ry.							8,000	46
Columbia College,	•							16,000	"
Union Theological S	emi	ıar	y,					18,000	44
Episcopal Theologica				rv.				12,000	46
New York Universit				•				1,500	44
Free Academy, .	• .							3,000	"
New York Historica	l So	cie	ty,					25,000	46
New York Hospital,			•					5,700	"
New York Law Inst		э.						4,700	"
American Institute,		•						7,000	"
Lyceum of Natural		orv	7.					2,000	"
American Bible Soci		-						1,400	"
Presbyterian Board	of M	fiss	sion	ıs.	•			2,000	46
Young Men's Christ						١.		1,700	"
Other associations, s						٠.		15,000	"
Makin	ıg a	tot	al	of				295,500	"

Tibraries of Philadelphia.

THE oldest Library in the city is that of the CARPENTERS' COMPANY of the City and County of Philadelphia, situated in Carpenter's Court, running from and back of Chestnut street, the Hall being the same building in which the first Continental Congress over which John Hancock presided, and in which George Washington sat as a delegate, held its sessions. Hancock's chair and the flag of the Company, carried in the procession on the celebration of the Declaration of Independence in 1776, are still preserved in the Hall.

The Society was established in 1724, and the library commenced with imported architectural works at the same time.

The Hall is open every day except Sunday, to members and their friends, from 8 A. M. until sunset. The library contains over 500 vols of rare and well-selected books, principally on architecture.

The first President of the Company was James Portius, sent over by the Proprietary, William Penn, to build his mansion in Philadelphia. The present Superintendent and Librarian is James Stewart.

Next in order, as regards date of foundation, comes the LIBRAW COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA, instituted in 1731, by Dr. Benjamin Franklin and others, as a joint stock company.

The present building in 5th street, below Chesnut, was erected in 1790, to accommodate the slowly but steadily increasing wants of the collection. The latter has gradually grown, by the annual purchase of the best English and American, together with some Continental and other books, and the successive incorporations of the Union Library in 1744, the Association Library in 1771, the Loganian Library in 1782, the Library of the Rev. Sam'l Preston (bequeathed) in 1804, that of William Mackenzie (partly bequeathed) in 1829, that of James Cox in 1832, and the Library of Foreign Literature and Science in 1840, to the size of about 65,000 vols., and those not the temporary trash too often found in circulating libraries, but works of real merit. For the last 122 years, the Library has never been without an agent in London, who purchased the best books as they came out, and sent them over.

The Library is open from 10 o'clock, A. M., until sunset. Shares are sold by the Company, at \$40; the yearly payment of members is \$4. Persons not stockholders, are allowed to take out books by depositing double their value and paying by the week. The use of the Loganian Library, a collection of about 10,000 vols., principally Greek, Latin, Hebrew, French, Spanish and Italian works, is free to all leaving a deposit of double the value of the book taken out.

A general classified Catalogue of the Phila. Library, making 1,048 pp. 8vo., was published in 1835, a first supplement of 182 pp., in 1844, and a second supplement of 130 pp., in 1849. A separate classified Catalogue of the Loganian Library, of 450 pp. 8vo., was issued in 1837; since which there have been few additions to that branch, and no printed supplement.

The Librarian's name is Lloyd P. Smith, who is, it may be mentioned, a great grandson of James Logan, the founder of the Loganian Library. The present Secretary of the Company, George Campbell,

Esq., was also its Librarian from 1806 to 1829. The present Treasurer, John Jay Smith, was Librarian from 1829 to 1851. The modern practice of rotation in office has not yet invaded this institution, which numbers among its Directors one who has had a seat at the Board since the year 1799.

The Library of the Monthly Meetings of FRIENDS of Philadelphia, occupies a room in a building next below the Meeting House, in Arch st., above Third.

It owes its origin to a bequest by Thomas Chalkley, in 1742, of his private Library of 111 vols., to the Monthly Meeting of Friends of Philadelphia. This has been gradually increased by purchases and donations, until it now numbers 5,300 vols., including the most complete collection in America, of the ancient writings of Friends, many of which are important as illustrating the early history of the United States, and especially of Pennsylvania.

The Library is open on 4th day (Wednesday) and 7th day (Saturday) afternoons, and all members of the Society of Friends, as well as such others as may be approved by a Committee in the Library, are entitled to its use, on signing a promissory note. An alphabetical Catalogue of 149 pp., 12mo., was published in 1831, and another in 1853. The Librarian's name is John Stokes.

The Library of the American Philosophical Society, is in the 2d story of their building in 5th street, below Chesnut, opposite to the Philadelphia Library.

This Society owes its foundation to Dr. Benjamin Franklin, who, in May, 1743, drew up and issued a prospectus, entitled "A proposal for the premotion of useful knowledge among the British Provinces of North America." This resulted in the formation of a Philosophical Society, which in 1768 was united to the "American Society for promoting and propagating useful knowledge," the two being incorporated in 1780, under the style of "The American Philosophical Society for promoting useful knowlege."

The Library contains over 20,000 vols in various languages, many of which are rare and valuable. Few books are purchased, except scientific periodicals, but the accessions by donation and the exchange of the Transactions of the Society for those of other learned bodies throughout the world are, if not very numerous (about 200 a year), yet important

The Society also possesses an extensive cabinet of coins, medals, &c., and a large collection of maps, charts, engravings and manuscripts.

The meetings are held on the first and third Fridays of every month, from October to May, and on the third Friday in each of the other four months, at 7 o'clock, P. M. The Hall is also open every Friday evening, when the members meet for the purpose of reading and social intercourse. On these occasions, they may introduce a friend or stranger. The Librarian's hours of attendance are also from 9 A. M. to $1\frac{1}{7}$ P. M.

Twenty-six of the members form what is called the Wistar Club, each of whom in succession, during the winter season, gives an entertainment at his own house, on Saturday evening, at which "the feast of reason and the flow of soul" is philosophically mingled with more substantial viands.

In 1824, a classified Catalogue of the Library, of 267 pp., 8vo., was published, since which no supplements have been printed. Charles B. Trego is Secretary and Librarian.

The Library of the University of Pennsylvania is in their building in 9th street, above Chesnut.

The University was founded in 1750, and the Library now contains about 4,000 vols., including some valuable works; many volumes, however, are missing, and sets imperfect. It is accessible to the Trustees and to the Faculty.

A Catalogue of 103 pp., 8vo., was prepared by Judah Dobson, and printed in 1829. There is no Librarian.

The Philomathean Society of Undergraduates, founded in 1819, possesses a Library of about 3,000 vols. The Zelosophic Society, founded in 1829, has a Library of 1,250 vols.

The Library of the Pennsylvania Hospital occupies a large and elegant room in that Institution, corner of 8th and Pine streets.

The Hospital itself was founded in 1751, and the first medical work it possessed was Lewis' History of Materia Medica, presented by Dr. Fothergill in 1762. It was subsequently determined to demand a fee from students attending the wards, and to appropriate the funds so obtained to the founding of a medical library.

The first Catalogue published, which was in 1790, contained the titles of 21 folios, 79 quartos, 341 octavos and 39 duodecimos, a total of 528 vols. The increasing number of students, from that time to this, has afforded a fund for the steady increase of the library, of which fund, on

an average, \$650 is actually expended for books. For several years the selections and purchases were made by Dr. Isaac Lettsom, of London, celebrated no less for his learning and benevolence than for the capital epigram made upon his name.

"When any sick to me apply,
I physicks, bleeds and sweats 'em;
If, after that, they choose to die,
What's that to me—

I. LETTSOM."

In the year 1800, Sarah Zane presented 142 volumes of medical books, some of which are of great rarity; and on the decease of Dr. B. S. Barton, his extensive and choice collection of works on natural history, was obtained by purchase from his widow.

At present the library contains about 11,000 vols., mostly medical works and those pertaining to the kindred sciences. It is probably the best collection, on this *specialité*, in the country.

It is open on Wednesdays and Saturdays, from 9 to 10 A. M., and from 3 to 4 P. M. The following persons are entitled to use the library: the managers, the treasurer, the physicians, students attending the practice of the Hospital, and such others as purchase the right by the payment of \$25 in one sum.

A general alphabetical catalogue was printed in 1829, with an index of subjects, and a supplement in 1837, the two making 426 pp., 8vo.

The Library of "The German Society contributing for the relief of distressed Germans in the State of Pennsylvania," is situated in 7th street, above Chesnut.

The Society was incorporated in 1781. By the Charter, the members are required to meet quarterly "on the second day of Christmas, the day of the Annunciation of the Virgin Mary, the day of St. John the Baptist, and the day of the Archangel Michael."

The number of volumes is about 8,000, including both English and German books:

The library is open for three hours on Saturday afternoons.

Each member pays \$8 entrance money, and \$1 25 per annum.

A classified catalogue of 218 pp., 8vo., was published in 1839, and a supplement of 60 pp. in 1850. James A. Donath, Esq., is Librarian.

The Library of the Law Association of Philadelphia is contained in a room 50 feet square, in the second story of the County Court House, at the S. E. corner of 6th and Chesnut streets.

It was founded in 1802, by a few members of the bar, for the use of the profession, and now contains 5,300 vols., including a series absolutely complete, of all the English, Irish and American Reports.

The library is open from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M., and from $4\frac{1}{2}$ till sunset, and is accessible for consultation to the following persons:—1st. Members of the Association (who pay \$30 entrance, and \$10 per annum) and annual subscribers (who pay \$12 a year). 2d. Judges of the Courts sitting within the city. 3d. Members of the bar from the country, temporarily practising in the courts. No book is allowed to be taken from the room except for use in the courts.

An alphabetical catalogue of 64 pp., 8vo., was published in 1849. John William Wallace, Esq., is the Librarian.

The Library of the ACADEMY OF NATURAL SCIENCES is in a room on the ground floor of their edifice in Broad street, below Chesnut.

The Academy of Natural Sciences was founded Jan., 1812, and the library commenced in April of the same year, with a few books given by John Speakman and Dr. Mann. The number of vols. at present is about 15,000, mostly relating to the natural sciences and including many costly folio works of plates on natural history, and 2,500 vols. of Transactions of learned Societies, &c.

The library is open at all times to members and to strangers properly introduced. The number of vols. for circulation is very limited, it being strictly a library for reference.

The last printed catalogue (of 300 pp., 8vo.) was published in 1836. Dr. Wm. S. Zantzinger is the Librarian.

The Library of the Philadelphia Athenæum occupies the 2d story of their handsome building (erected in 1847), situated in 6th street, below Walnut.

The Athenæum was founded in 1813 by a few young men, as a reading room, and now contains over 12,000 vols., including a number of bound sets of newspapers and periodicals, and a collection of pamphlets bound in 148 vols., which belonged to Dr. Franklin, and are enriched with his notes. Between the library saloon and the newspaper room is an apartment furnished with chess tables, which is frequented by amateurs of that game.

The Athenaum is open from early in the morning until 10 P. M. It is a stock company, the par value of the shares being \$25, and the yearly payment \$5. Strangers in the city, introduced by members, have free access to the rooms. Books are not allowed to be taken out.

ere has been no printed catalogue since 1820, when an alphabetione, of 80 pp., 8vo., was published. Wm. McIlhenny (who has occurried the post for 34 years), is Librarian.

The Library of the College of Pharmacy is in their building, in Zane street, above 7th.

. The College was founded in 1820, and it possesses about 700 vols. of works on Materia Medica and kindred subjects, which are accessible to members, their apprentices, and those attending the School of Pharmacy. There is no printed catalogue.

The APPRENTICES' LIBRARY Company has its rooms in the 2d story of the Free Quakers' Meeting House, at the S. W. corner of 5th and Arch streets.

The Company was incorporated April 2, 1821. In 1841 a separate department was established for girls. The two branches contained, in Jan., 1853, 14,036 vols.

The Library is open for boys, on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday evenings, about $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours each; for girls, on Thursday afternoon, from 3 to 7, and on Saturday afternoon from 3 to 6. Apprentices and others, under 21 years of age, are allowed the use of the books gratis, on the guarantee of a respectable citizen. In the year 1852, the surprising number of 23,938 books were loaned from the boys' library, and 19,067 from the girls—total, 43,005. The library is used by 937 boys, and 670 girls.

The institution is supported by annual subscriptions of \$2, and the interest of its permanent fund, which has recently been increased by a legacy of \$10,000 from Nathan Dunn.

The last catalogue was published in 1850, and a supplement in 1853. The Librarian's name is Jesse Ogden.

The Mercantile Library occupies the 2d story of the Company's building, at the S. E. corner of 5th and Library streets, erected in 1844-45, at a cost of \$28,199 42.

The Mercantile Library Company of Philadelphia was formed in 1821. It now possesses about 14,000 vols., and the number circulated, n 1852, was 35,900. It is open from 3 o'clock, P. M., until 10.

Shares are sold by the Company, at \$10; the yearly payment is \$2. The last catalogue, a classified one with the usual index of authors' names, and forming a volume of 447 pp., 8vo., was published in 1849. The Librarian's name is A. McElroy.

The Library of the HISTORICAL SOCIETY of Pennsylvania occupies a room in the 3d story of the Athenæum building, at the corner of 6th and Adelphi streets.

The Society was formed in 1825. The library contains about 2,000 vols. It is open at all times to members.

The first part of the catalogue was printed in 1829, making 36 pp., 8vo. Townsend Ward is the Librarian.

The LIBRARY Association of Friends (belonging to the branch sometimes distinguished as Hicksite), have their collection in Cherry street, below 5th.

It was organized in 1834, and now possesses 4,000 vols. The circulation of last year was 6,561 vols.

The library is open on 4th day (Wednesday) and 7th day (Saturday) evenings, and for females exclusively on 7th day afternoons. It is accessible without charge, to members of the Society of Friends and such others as may be approved by the managers; the proportion of the latter class to the former is considerable. The Association is supported by voluntary contributions.

A classified catalogue was printed 1853. John H. Milletts is Librarian.

The Library and Reading Room of t e Franklin Institute is in their building in 7th street, above Chesnut.

The Franklin Institute was founded about the year 1830, for the promotion of the mechanic arts. The number of vols. in the library is about 5,000. It is open daily to the members and their friends, from 9 o'clock A. M. until 10 o'clock P. M.

A catalogue, of 117 pp., 8vo, was printed in 1847. William Hamilton is actuary and ex-officio Librarian.

The Library of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society occupies a room in the Museum building in 9th street, below Chesnut.

The number of volumes is about 1,500, mostly relating to horticulture and kindred subjects. It is open to members at each stated meeting of the Society (on the third Tuesday evening), and also on the first Tuesday evening of each month.

A classified catalogue, of 48 pp., 8vo., was published in 1850.

The Library of the American Baptist Publication Society is in their building, No. 118 Arch street.

The first meeting of the Philadelphia Baptist Association took place in 1707. In 1742, the Association published its first work, the Confession of Faith and Discipline, printed by Benjamin Franklin.

The number of vols. in the library is about 1,200.

The Library of the PRESETTERIAN BOARD OF PUBLICATION occupies a room in the 2d story of their edifice in Chesnut street, below 9th.

The number of vols. is estimated at 1,500, mostly theological works of value. There is no catalogue.

The Reading Room and Library Association of the Protestant Episco-AL Church in Philadelphia occupies the 2d story of No. 146 Walnut street.

The Association was instituted in 1852, "for the purpose, first, of afording a place of resort where may be found Christian literature and Christian associates, and, secondly, of laying the foundation of a theological and general library." The number of vols., mostly donations, is about 500, and the reading room is also supplied with periodical literature of a religious character.

The rooms are open from 9 A. M. until 10 P. M. All persons paying the annual sum of three dollars, all clergymen and candidates for orders, and such non-residents as may be introduced by clergymen or subscribers, are entitled to the use of the reading room and library. The Librarian is M. Bylesby.

Within a short time past, a sum exceeding \$30,000 has been raised by private subscription, which, with aid from the Commissioners of several of the incorporated districts, has been the means of establishing four free libraries in connection with the following organized literary associations:—

SPRING GARDEN Institute Library,			3,000	vols.
MECHANICS' Institute, of Southwark,			2,000	"
MOYAMENSING Literary Institute, .			2,000	"
WEST PHILADELPHIA "			2,000	"

On the same foundation, two other associations, the Kensington L terary Institute and the Philadelphia City Institute will, within a year, commence with 2,000 vols. each.

There is also a COLORED Institute in Lombard street, above 8th, embracing both a school and a library of 1,000 vols. It was founded in 1851, and endowed by a Mr. Humphreys, with \$20,000.

A number of Society Libraries, mostly adjuncts of Debating Societies, exist in different parts of the city and districts, among which may be mentioned the Southwark Library Co. (endowed by Thomas D. Grover), in 2d street, below German; the Northern Libraries Franklin Library Co., in 2d, near Tammany street; the Jefferson Library and Literary Association, at the corner of Brown and 2d streets; the Hebrew Literary Association (founded 1851), in Zane street, above 7th, and the Philadelphia Library Association of colored brethren.

Some of the churches of Philadelphia have Parish Libraries, the most important of which is that of Christ Church in 2d street, below Arch. This library contains some rare and valuable works in theology, a part of which were probably brought out by the Rev. Mr. Clayton, in 1695, and some were presented by Queen Anne. The books are arranged in suitable cases, in a room immediately over the chancel. The number of vols. is 784. Attached to the Roman Catholic Seminary in Schuylkill 5th street, opposite Logan square, is a good theological library. All the Sunday Schools have libraries of more or less value, for the benefit of the scholars.

The public grammar and secondary schools of the 1st Section of the 1st School District of Pennsylvania (embracing the city proper), have libraries averaging 500 vols. each, established and maintained by the income arising from a bequest of \$10,000, by Stephen Girard, for that purpose. Including the High School and Normal School Libraries, there are more than 10,000 volumes in the public schools of the city.

From the above statistics, it will not be difficult to approximate pretty closely to the number of vols. in the public libraries of Philadelphia. Thus,

Carpenters' Company has										500	vols.
Library Company of Philade	lphi	a a	nd	L	oga	nia	n,			65,000	"
Friends',										5,300	"
Philosophical Society, .										20,000	"
Pennsylvania University,										4,000	"
Hospital,										11,000	"
German Society,										8,000	"
Law Association,										5,300	"
Academy of Natural Sciences	3,									15,000	"
Athenæum,										12,000	"
College of Pharmacy, .			•						•	700	"

Apprentices' Library,	•							14,000	vols.
Mercantile "								14,000	44
Historical Society, .								2,000	"
Friends',								4,000	46
Franklin Institute, .								5,000	44
Horticultural Society,								1,500	"
Baptist Publication, .								1,200	"
Presbyterian ".								1,500	"
Episcopal Reading Room,								500	"
Five Institutes, .								10,000	"
Various Debating Societie	s (at l	east),					3,000	"
Churches, Sunday School	s, &c.	(say),					25,000	"
Public Schools,	•	•			•	•		10,000	"
	Tot	al,						238,500	

or not far from a quarter of a million of volumes.

Libraries of Boston.

BOSTON ATHENEUM, -57,000 volumes. This institution was founded in 1807, by the "Anthology Club," an association of gentlemen who met for social and intellectual improvement, and conducted a periodical publication called the "Monthly Anthology." It is a stock institution in which there are about 700 shares, the par value of which is \$300 each. Books are lent only to those proprietors who choose to pay an assessment of \$5 annually. Every proprietor, without paying an assessment, has the right, with his family, to consult books on the premises, to introduce two residents of the city to the library and reading-room, and to give introductions to any number of non-residents, for the term of one month. The books are very conveniently arranged for reference, those on the same subject, so far as practicable, being placed together, and there are no barriers to prevent the reader from taking down any book he may wish. The library is peculiarly rich in the departments of reports and transactions of learned societies, in periodical publications, and works on the natural sciences. A catalogue of 356 pp., 8vo., was printed in 1827, and a supplement of 179 pp. in 1840. A card catalogue, on Prof. Jewett's plan of arrangement, is now in preparation. A new subscription of 400 shares is nearly all taken up, and this addition of \$120,000 to the present permanent fund of \$25,000, will amply provide for the future growth and usefulness of the institution. The Athenæum building is located on Beacon street, a few rods east of the State House, and cost, with the land, nearly \$200,000. In the basement are the packing-rooms, bindery and heating apparatus; on the first floor, the reading room, sculpture gallery, and library of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences; the second floor is occupied by the library, and the third by the picture gallery. The library is open from 9 A. M. to 6 P. M., and the reading-room until 9 P. M., during nine months of the year. Charles Folsom, Librarian.

MERCANTILE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION,—14,500 vols.—This association was founded in 1820, but its principal growth has been during the last five years. It has now 2,400 members, and the circulation of books the past year has been 78,000 vols. No initiation fee is required. The institution is sustained by an annual assessment of two dollars on each member, the income of a building fund of \$30,000, and the profits of two courses of lectures, which the last year amounted to \$1,584. Including duplicates, about 2,200 vols. have been added to the library during the past year, at an expense of \$2,000. The association being greatly in need of new rooms, Hon. Abbot Lawrence and other eminent merchants have recently made liberal donations for this object. The rooms are located on the corner of Bromfield and Province streets; the library is open from 1 to 10 P. M., and the reading-room from 7 A. M. to 10 P. M. Wm. F. Poole, Librarian.

Public Library.—This library, which is under the exclusive control of the city government, and is designed to be accessible and free to all the citizens of Boston, was founded in 1852, and has not yet been opened to the public. It has received donations of \$50,000 from Joshua Bates, of London; \$10,000 from Jona. Phillips, of Boston; \$5,000 from other sources, and valuable donations of books from Edward Everett, Robert C. Winthrop, John P. Bigelow, Geo. Ticknor and others. The library new contains about 9,000 vols., and is located in temporary rooms in Mason street. The city has purchased for \$72,000 a lot of land on Boylston street, for the location of a suitable library edifice, the erection of which will be commenced in the spring, and which will probably be opened to the public in January, 1855. Edward Capen, Librarian.

Boston Library,—14,000 vols.—The Boston Library Society was incorporated in 1794. It is owned by about 175 proprietors, and the present value of a share is from 12 to 15 dollars, on which there is an annual assessment of \$3. About 250 vols. are added yearly to the library, and the rooms are open on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday afternoons, from 3 to 6 o'clock, and on Saturday from 10 A. M. to 1 P. M. A catalogue of 335 pages, 8vo., was printed in 1844, and a supplement of 48 pages in 1849. About 15,000 books are changed annually. The library is located over the arch in Franklin street.

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES,—9,000 vols.—This Society was founded in 1780, and the present number of members is 130. The library is located on the first floor of the Athenæum building, and the books are almost exclusively of a scientific character. It is chiefly used for consultation, 170 vols. only having been loaned the past year. \$600 are annually appropriated for the purchase of books, exclusive of the reports and transactions of learned societies received in exchange for the society's own publications. No catalogue has been printed since 1802, but a full card catalogue has been completed the past year. The library is open daily, from 10 A. M. to 2 P. M., and from 3 to 5 P. M. Nathaniel B. Shurtleff, Librarian.

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL SOCIETY,—8,000 vols.—The Historical Society was founded in 1791, and the number of members is limited, by the act of incorporation, to 60. Among its valuable MSS. are those of the historian Hubbard; the first Governor, Winthrop; Gov. Hutchinson, and Gov. Trumbull of Conn.; 30 vols. of collections have been published. The last catalogue, 96 pages, 8vo., was printed in 1811; a card catalogue is now in preparation, and as the library contains 2,000 vols. of bound pamphlets, the whole number of titles will be about 50,000. One room contain the portraits of 70 early New England worthies. The rooms of the Society are over the Savings Bank on Tremont street, and are open daily from 9 A. M. to 1 P. M., and from 3 to 5 P. M. Joseph B. Felt, Librarian.

STATE LIBRARY,—8,500 vols.—The State Library was established by an Act of the Legislature, passed March 3, 1826, for the use of the members of the Legislature and officers connected with the State government. The public documents of the United States, and the several States of the Union, are regularly received in exchange for Massachusetts documents, and about \$400 are annually expended for the purchase of other books.

In the addition now being made to the State House, convenient and fireproof rooms are appropriated to the State Library. The last catalogue was printed in 1846, 125 pp., 8vo. The library is open from 9 A. M., until sunset, and also evenings during the session of the Legislature. Barnas Sears, Secretary of the Board of Education, is Librarian.

MECHANICS' APPRENTICES' LIBRARY,-4,000 vols.-In 1820, chiefly through the philanthropic exertions of Mr. Wm. Wood, a library of 1,500 vols. was collected for the benefit and gratuitous use of Boston apprentices, and was the first institution of the kind ever established. At first it relied for funds on voluntary subscriptions, but after a few years, this plan was found to furnish too scanty and precarious means of support, and for a time the library was closed. In 1828 the present Association of Apprentices was formed, and the library is now under the guardianship of the Massachusetts Mechanic Association. The present number of members is 225, who each pay an annual assessment of one dollar. The annual circulation is about 10,000 vols. Besides the library, the association sustains a well-furnished reading-room, a free course of lectures and literary exercises, consisting of original compositions, declamation and debate. The rooms are located in Phillips place, opposite the head of School street, and are open on Tuesday and Saturday evenings until 10 o'clock.

American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions,—5,000 vols.—This library is designed chiefly for the use of the officers of the Mission House, and has a very complete collection of religious periodicals and works illustrating the history, manners and customs of those countries in which the missionary stations of the Board are located. A considerable number of MS. translations of the Bible in many foreign languages, publications from the missionary presses, form a curious and interesting portion of the collection. The library was founded in 1822, and the number of volumes added yearly is about 175. Although strictly a private library, great courtesy is extended by the secretaries to scholars who have occasion to make use of this valuable collection. It is located at the Mission House, Pemberton square. Rufus Anderson, D. D., Librarian.

AMERICAN ORIENTAL SOCIETY,—450 vols.—The books belonging to this society are at present deposited in the Boston Athenæum, and are loaned only to the members. Chas, Folsom, Librarian.

NEW ENGLAND GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION, -3,000 vols.—The library

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of this association, which is chiefly the fruit of donations, contains a fine collection of the local histories, genealogical collections, and such other works as throw light on the history of early New England families. The library is kept at $11\frac{1}{2}$ Tremont row. Wm. B. Trask, Librarian.

Congregational Library,—1,000 vols.—This library was founded in May last, for the collection and preservation of ecclesiastical information, theological works, and religious intelligence. The rooms are in the Tremont Temple, and are open daily. Joseph B. Felt, Librarian.

Young Men's Christian Association,—2,000 vols.—This association, designed for the moral and religious improvement of young men, held its first meeting Dec. 15, 1851, and was incorporated March 30, 1852. The number of members is now 1,200, and the annual assessment is one dollar. Connected with the library, is a reading-room supplied with secular and religious periodicals, and newspapers. The Association occupy an elegant and convenient suite of rooms in Tremont Temple, which are open day and evening until 10 o'clock. Wm. C. Mills, Librarian.

Young Men's Christian Union,—1,250 vols.—Exceptions taken to a feature in the by-laws of the Young Men's Christian Association, have led to the formation of this organization. The by-laws of the Christian Association provide that any young man of good moral character may become an associate member, while those who are members in regular standing in an evangelical church, may become active members, the latter only having the right to vote and being eligible for office. The Christian Union was incorporated May 3, 1852, and the objects and by-laws of the society are similar to those of the Christian Association, with the exception that the above distinction between active and associate members is not recognized. The present number of members is 800, and the rooms are at 6 Bedford street. A wide field of usefulness is open to both these associations, and both are exerting a most beneficial influence.

Boston Society of Natural History,—3,500 volumes, 11 Mason street.—This institution was founded in the winter of 1830, and incorporated Feb. 24, 1831. It is designed to promote the cultivation of Natural Science. The members are chosen by ballot, three-fourths of the members present voting in the affirmative. An initiation fee of \$5 is required, and an assessment made of \$3 per annum. It has now eighty patrons, 52 honorary, 144 corresponding, and 220 resident members. The permanent fund is \$10,000; 175 volumes were added during the past year,

at an expense of \$230, many volumes being received by donation. 400 volumes were circulated in 1852. The library is open from 9 to 12 Å. If. M., each day. The last catalogue, a pamphlet of 16 pages, was printed in 1837, with a supplement of 15 pages in 1840. Charles K. Dillaway, Librarian.

AMERICAN STATISTICAL ASSOCIATION,—2,000 vols.—The date of its foundation is usually stated to be 1839, but it was not incorporated until early in 1841. It is more particularly engaged in the collection, preservation and diffusion of statistical information. P. W. Sawyer, Librarian.

Social Law Library—3,200 vols.—occupies a room in the Courthouse. A catalogue, containing 32 pp., 8vo., was published in 1824.

PRINCE LIBRARY—1,800 vols.—was bequeathed by Rev. Thos. Prince, to the Old South Church, and is freely accessible. A catalogue of 112 pp., 8vo., appeared in 1846.

Bowditch Library,—2,500 vols.—Although private, it is accessible for reference and circulation.

A summary of the libraries of Boston, therefore, with their number of volumes, would read as follows:

Athenæum,	ls.
Mercantile Library Association, 14,500 "	
Public Library,	
Boston Library,	
American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 9,000 "	
Boston Society of Natural History, 3,500 "	
Massachusetts Historical Society, 8,000 "	
" State Library, 8,500 "	i
Mechanics' Apprentices', 4,000 "	
American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions, 5,000 "	
American Oriental Society,	
New England Genealogical Society, 3,000 "	ï
Congregational Library, 1,000 "	:
Young Men's Christian Association, 2,000 "	i
" Union, 1,250 "	;
American Statistical Association, 2,500 "	:
Social Law,	:
Prince Library,	ı
Bowditch,	:

Total,

150,200

1e Public Libraries of Providence, B. J.

ollowing facts in regard to the public libraries of Providence, may to reveal some of her literary treasures, and perhaps stimulate her s to renewed efforts and zeal in behalf of these interesting and tant departments of knowledge.

BROWN UNIVERSITY.

id first in importance is the Library of Brown University, founded 8, four years after the College or University was incorporated. contains, besides about 10,000 pamphlets, upwards of 25,000 bound es, the greater part of which are exceedingly choice and valuable The departments of Bibliography, the Classics, English History, matics, Patristics and the modern languages, are quite full and ratively complete. For the elegant editions of the standard modern in the French, German and Italian languages, the University is ed to the liberality of Mr. John Carter Brown, son of the late las Brown, from whom the institution derives its name. ng provided for the accommodation of the library was erected in at the sole expense of Mr. Nicholas Brown. It is of the Doric built of stone, and, including the portico, is about 90 feet in length Its height, from the top of the basement, is 40 feet. brary occupies the whole of the first floor, and is a beautiful room, ented in the centre with a double row of fluted columns. 7 has a permanent fund of \$25,000, yielding an annual income of The greater part of this income, or upwards of \$1,500, is apto the increase of the library, the residue being appropriated to the ase of chemical and philosophical apparatus for the institution, alaries of the Librarian and of his assistant are paid from the d funds of the College. A catalogue of the library, of 586 pages, prepared by Prof. C. C. Jewett, the former librarian, was pubin 1843. The plan of this catalogue is in most respects like that Signet Library Catalogue, of Edinburgh, a work which has been r commended in England. It is alphabetical, according to the 's' names, with a copious alphabetical and analytical index of subbiographical and bibliographical notes are interspersed throughout lume. A supplementary catalogue of 15,000 volumes has been prepared for the use of the library, on slips of card or board. The library is open daily, during term time, from 9 till 1, and, during vacations, on Saturdays, from 11 till 1. R. A. Guild, Librarian; Edward T. Caswell, Assistant Librarian.

Besides the College Library, there are in connection with the University two libraries belonging to Societies of Undergraduates, the Philermenian, Society, founded in 1794, and the United Brothers Society, founded in 1806. These libraries contain together above 7,000 volumes of works, mostly in modern English and American literature. They have issued elegant and well-prepared catalogues. The last catalogue of the Philermenian Society was published in January, 1849, and that of the United Brothers in September of this present year.

ATHENÆUM.

Next in importance to the library of Brown University, is the Library of the Providence Athenaum, containing upwards of 18,000 well-selected This institution dates back as far as 1753, when the old "Providence Library" was established. This library was, in 1836, united with the library of the first Providence Athenæum, incorporated in 1832, the two libraries thus united forming the present "Library of the Providence Athenaeum." It is delightfully located at the junction of Benefit and College streets. The building provided for its accommodation was completed in 1838, at a total cost, including excavations, embankments, fences, &c., of about \$20,000. It is of the Doric order of architecture, built of granite, 48 feet by 78, and consists of a basement and principal story. The front is of fine hammered Quincy granite, and has a recess supported by two fluted granite columns. The fine lot on which the building stands was presented to the Athenæum, together with a donation of \$10,000, in the spring of 1836, by Mr. Nicholas Brown and the heirs of Mr. Thomas P. Ives. The permanent funds of the institution amount to \$11,000; of these funds, \$6,000 were obtained in November, 1849, being a part of the munificent donation of \$10,000 presented to the Athenæum by Alexander Duncan, Esq., on behalf of the late Cyrus Butler. The annual income of the library, from taxes, sale of shares, funds, &c., amounts at present to \$3,780. Persons entitled to the use of the books, are owners of shares; the price of a share is \$15, subject to an annual tax of \$5. An excellent catalogue of 591 pages, octavo, prepared by Samuel W. Peckham, Esq., has just been published. The plan of the work, with the exception of the biographical and bibliographical notes, is the same as that adopted by Prof. Jewett in preparing the catalogue of the library of Brown University. The index, however, is more full and complete, and its typographical execution is far superior. The library is open daily, from the first of April till the first of October, from 9 A. M. till sunset; from October till April, from 10 A. M. till 9 P. M. Thomas H. Williams, Librarian; Joseph B. Wheaton, Assistant Librarian.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

The Library of the Rhode Island Historical Society, contains upwards of 2,500 bound volumes, besides a large number of valuable pamphlets, manuscripts, and historical documents. This society was founded in the year 1822, being in the order of time the fourth institution of the kind in the United States. The edifice intended to be the permanent repository of the collections of the society was erected in 1844, at an expense of about \$6,000, exclusive of the lot, which was presented to the society by the heirs of the late Nathan Waterman. It is situated on Waterman street, facing the College Square, and commands a delightful view of the university grounds. The dimensions of the building are 30½ feet by 50½, and 29 feet from the ground to the top of the cornice. The base of the edifice is of granite, but the walls are of rubble stone, stuccoed and colored to represent granite. There are no regular hours for admission to the library. Rev. Edwin M. Stone, Librarian.

FRANKLIN LYCEUM.

The Franklin Lyceum Library is comparatively of recent date. The Franklin Lyceum, with which it is connected, was commenced in 1832, and afterwards incorporated by a few young men, for mutual literary improvement by means of debates, public lectures, &c. Its character now is similar to that of the Mercantile Library Associations of our larger cities. A library of several hundred volumes was at first formed, by loans and donations of books from members of the society. In the winter of 1852-3, the society appointed a committee to solicit subscriptions, for the purpose of securing a collection of books suitable for a good circulating library. The sum of twenty-five hundred dollars was thus raised, one thousand dollars of which have already been expended in the purchase of 1,800 well selected volumes. The library is in Lyceum Hall, Dyer's Block, entrance 19 Westminster street. It is open every evening, and also on Saturday afternoons. Samuel W. Brown, Librarian.

MECHANICS' ASSOCIATION.

The Mechanics' and Apprentices' Library, connected with the Providence Association of Mechanics and Manufacturers, established in 1821, contains upwards of 3,500 volumes. Two hundred dollars per annum is appropriated by the association for its increase. Its yearly circulation amounts to about 8,000 volumes. The library room is in Mechanics' Hall, Dyer's Block, entrance 25 Westminster street. The library is open on Wednesday and Saturday evenings, from 6 till 9 o'clock. C. W. Jencks, Librarian, J. J. Jencks, Assistant Librarian.

FRIENDS' YEARLY MEETING SCHOOL.

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The Library of the Friends' Boarding School, which was established in 1819, contains about 1000 volumes, irregularly arranged in a room in the central building of the institution. It embraces a general collection of English scientific and literary works, mostly the bequests of the late Moses Brown and his son Obadiah Brown. It is quite complete in works pertaining to the denominational history of the Society of Friends, by whom the institution has been from time to time so richly endowed. In addition to this library, are two smaller collections of books of a more juvenile character, for the special use of the pupils. These contain about 250 volumes each (not including text-books), and are kept in the two wings of the central building. There is no printed catalogue of the libraries. All the pupils are entitled to the use of the books in the juvenile departments, and to those of the central library at the discretion of the librarian. The officers use the central library at their pleasure. Edward G. Hoag, Librarian.

BAR LIBRARY.

The Providence Bar Library, established in 1833, contains upwards of 1,300 volumes, consisting almost entirely of English and American Reports. The privileges of this library, by subscription, are confined to gentlemen of the legal profession. It is accessible daily, from 9 A. M. till sunset. Location, College street, John P. Knowles, Librarian.

FRANKLIN SOCIETY.

The Providence Franklin Society, instituted in 1823, has a library of 500 volumes, consisting almost entirely of valuable scientific works. But little provision has been made for the increase of the library. Every member of the society has a key to the library room, and may use the

books at his pleasure. Entrance to the room, 20 North Main street. Robert A. Fisher, Librarian.

SCHOOL AND CIRCULATING LIBRARIES.

This account of the libraries of Providence would not be complete, without a brief mention of the 500 books of reference, furnished by the city for the use of the public schools; and also of the circulating libraries of D. Perrin, and of E. S. Winsor, 177 and 140 Westminster street. These libraries of 4,000 volumes each, having an aggregate yearly circulation of 30,000 volumes, exert a most important influence upon that numerous class of readers who are prevented, either by inclination or circumstances, from using the larger and more select public libraries of the city.

In closing this article, already too lengthy, we should be glad, did space allow, to speak in detail of the library of rare and costly books belonging to Mr. John Carter Brown. Its rich collection of Bibles especially, and of works illustrative of the early history of our country, is hardly rivaled by any similar private collection this side of the Atlantic-It is a source of gratification to the friends of learning, that gentlemen of wealth and leisure, like Brown, of Providence, Ticknor, of Boston, Lenox, of New York, and Force, of Washington, are thus employing their resources in gathering up special collections, the treasures of the past, for the benefit of the future scholar or historian.

In order that the number of volumes in the public libraries of Providence may be readily comprehended at a glance, the following tabular form is in conclusion added:

Libraries of Brown University,		32,000 vols.
Providence Athenæum,		18,000 "
Rhode Island Historical Society,		2,500 "
Franklin Lyceum,		1,500 "
Mechanics' Library,		3,500 "
Friends' Boarding School,		1,500 "
Providence Bar Library,		1,300 "
Franklin Society,		500 "
Books of Reference for Public Schools,		500 "
Perrin and Winsor's Circulating Libraries,	•	8,000 "

Making a total of . . . 69,300 vols.

Albany Libraries.

ALEASY LIBRARY.—The is the cidest library in Albany: was established by an association of citizens in 1791, by subscriptions of figures. It was kept up until 1831, when it had become so much neglected that the trustees resolved to close it up. It is now in the Albany Fernal Academy, and numbers about 5,000 volumes, many of them choice old works, and are accessible for reference. Benson Coggie, Librarian.

The New York State Library was founded in 1818. In 1845 the number of volumes was about 10,000. It then came under its present management, the regents of the University, who are exercise its Trusteen In addition to the general collection of books, there is a separate department for law books, which has been supposed to be the most valuable collection of that kind in our country. A large collection of manuscripts. connected with the history of the State, has been entrusted by Legislature to their keeping, some of which are of great interest and value. The stupendous system of international exchange which has been originated and so vigorously carried into execution by M. Vattemare, served to materially augment the different departments of this Institution.-Donations, some of which are of great importance, have been received from the governments of France, Austria, Prussia, Sweden, Belgium, the Netherlands, the Two Sicilies, Chili, Canada and Nova Scotia. In 1850, the most complete and best arranged catalogue yet printed was published, and contains 1,059 pages, 8vo. The Law department embraces 290 pages, and the miscellaneous collection of books 438 pages. 40 pages are occupied with lists and descriptions of maps, paintings, modals, &c. A catalogue of the MSS. above referred to completes the volume. Annual appropriations of about \$2,800 are made for books alone. The building in which they are now contained is a new fireproof structure, capable of accommodating 100,000 volumes, and was erected at a cost, including the land, of \$79,000. A fine collection of coins has been commenced, already numbering from four to five thousand, of which a catalogue is preparing. The present number of volumes is 34,279, of which 11,056 have been added during the past three years. In addition, there are 70 bound atlases, 200 maps, 452 engravings, and 95 medals. It is accessible to all persons for reference, free of charge.

LIBRARY OF THE ALBANY INSTITUTE.—This library had its origin as

early as 1791, under the name of the Society for the Promotion of Agriculture, Arts and Manufactures, at the City of New York. In 1824, a union of that Society with the Albany Lyceum of Natural History was formed, under the title of the Albany Institute. The library of the Society of Arts then numbered 277 volumes, and that of the Albany Lyceum 52 volumes, including pamphlets; and the former society had published four volumes of transactions. In 1829 a catalogue of the library was published, which was comprised in 16 pages. The cabinet belonging to the Institute is believed to have been the most valuable collection of the kind in the State, at that time. It now contains over 10,000 specimens in Natural History. The library now consists of about 5,000 volumes, among which are upwards of 500 volumes of pamphlets, and some rare and curious works, of which a catalogue is now making. The library and cabinet are contained in the Albany Academy, where semi-monthly meetings are held during the winter. George H. Cook. Librarian.

APPRENTICES' LIBRARY was founded in 1820, by the instigation of William Wood, who had founded similar libraries in Boston, New York and elsewhere. It went into operation with 78 volumes, and was increased to 1,200 volumes, in a month after, by donations of citizens. This library furnished apprentices with books at one cent a volume, and was attended with no other expense to its readers. It has been closed about two years, for want of active managers. Number of volumes, 3,000. John McKey, Librarian.

LIBRARY OF THE YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION was established in 1833, and numbers 7,000 volumes. It is well-fitted up in an accessible part of the city, and is resorted to by about 800 readers. A. F. Lansing, Librarian.

New York State Agricultural Society Library contains nearly 1,000 volumes. It was organized in 1832, and is principally composed of agricultural works, pamphlets and periodicals.

MEDICAL COLLEGE LIBRARY consists of about 5,000 volumes, most of which are medical works, and in good preservation. T. R. Beck, M. D., Librarian.

NORMAL SCHOOL LIBRARY contains nearly 7,000 volumes, most of which are text-books. All the pupils have access to it, free of charge. S. C. Webb, Librarian.

The DISTRICT SCHOOLS, ten in number, have libraries averaging about one thousand volumes each.

Of the private libraries, Samuel Stevens, Esq., has a Law Library of about 3,000 volumes, and Messrs. Hill, Cagger and Porter, another of about the same number. There are no very extensive private collections, special or miscellaneous. Mr. John Taylor has one of the largest, quite miscellaneous in its nature, and Dr. Beck has also a collection, which is somewhat curious, especially in medical jurisprudence. The collection of Mr. Joel Munsell contains upwards of 2,000 volumes, principally upon bibliography. He has a collection of single copies of newspapers in almost every language, in all about 7,000 different titles. Dr. O'Callaghan is making a collection of works upon American history.

A summary of the Albany libraries, therefore, would read as follows:—

Albany Library, founded	1791,					5,000	vols.
N. Y. State " "	1818, .					34,279	"
Albany Institute Library,	founded	1824,			•	5,000	"
Apprentices' "	"	1820,	•			3,000	"
Young Men's Association	Library,	founded	1833,			7,000	"
Agricultural Society	"	46	1832,			1,000	"
Medical College	"	"				5,000	"
Normal School	"	"				7,000	"
District Schools, (10)	"	"				10,000	"
Private, (4)	"	"				10,000	"
	Makin	of	•	•	87,279	"	

St. Konis Libraries.

St. Louis Mercantile Library Association.—On the 30th December, 1845, eight business men of St. Louis met in the counting room of one of their number, and formally declared that it was proper and expedient to establish a Mercantile Library Association. Their primary object was mercantile, but all other professions were invited to unite in the enterprise. A committee was appointed to

draft a constitution. On the 13th of January, 1846, the constitution of the St. Louis Mercantile Library Association was reported to a public meeting of merchants, traders, clerks, and others, and was then adopted. On the 9th April, of the same year, the library was opened. At the opening the shelves contained about 600 vols., principally donations. During its eight years of existence, the annual additions have averaged near 1,250 volumes. The library now (January, 1854) contains 10,000 volumes, of which 7,600 have been purchased and 2,400 donated. large donations have been received, but for the books that have been presented, the association is indebted to the continued remembrance of a number of kind friends. Of these friends, Mr. Alfred Vinton stands first in zeal and activity. He has presented to the association, since its foundation, nearly 1,000 volumes, and has been mainly instrumental in originating and executing those plans which have secured to the association a home for its library in the building now occupied. In December, 1851, the St. Louis Lyceum, a society that possessed the first public collection of books in St. Louis, being reduced to twenty members, sold their library to the Mercantile Library Association, for ten years' subscription, for each of its twenty members. By this transaction, the Mercantile Library obtained 1,100 volumes to add to its own collection, and nearly 300 odd volumes and duplicates. This is the only addition of any size that the library has had. The association has received no bequest or donation of any amount. All its purchases have been paid for out of the regular receipts from members and This association differs from most societies of a similar name. in that merchants and their clerks are admitted to the same privileges and honors, but pay different fees. Merchants pay five dollars initiation fee and five dollars annual subscription; clerks pay two dollars entrance fee and three dollars annual subscription; and all persons not engaged in mercantile pursuits pay five dollars per annum. At the annual meeting in January, 1853, the fee of life members was raised from fifty to a hundred dollars. In 1846, the first year, there were 1,689 volumes and 283 members, and 720 volumes were issued to 125 members. In 1852. the seventh year, there were 8,777 volumes and 774 members; while the use of the library amounted to 9,416 vols. to 614 members. 8,777 vols. mentioned, 6,590 were bought at a cost of \$10,900, and 2,187 vols. were presented and valued at \$3,000.

The building just taken possession of by the association has been erected by a stock company, styled the Mercantile Library Hall Com-

pany. The hall is three stories high. The ground floor contains five large rooms, suitable for stores. The second floor, of 20 feet ceiling, has a room 80 by 64 feet, with smaller rooms for the library, and a lecture room, 80 by 44 feet, capable of seating 800 persons. The third floor, of 35 feet ceiling, has a lecture or concert room capable of seating 2,400 persons; with ante and dressing rooms, and parlors. The building and lot have cost about \$100,000. It is thought that the Library Association will be able to make a ten per cent. revenue from it; thus having four per cent. for a sinking fund to buy up the stock, when the library rooms will be free of rent forever. William P. Curtis, Librarian.

The LAW LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF St. Louis was organized in September, 1838, and the first purchase of books was made about the same date. By the Fifteenth Annual Report for the year ending October, 1853, there are 109 members, 2,933 volumes, of which, 268 were-added during the past year, 39 by donation and 229 by purchase. volumes of the library are Reports. The total cost of books bought has been \$8,300; the donations have been valued at \$500. library is restricted to members of the association and the bench, and within the walls of the Court House, where the library is located. A new fire-proof room, 35 by 48 feet, is being erected for the Association, in a new addition to the Court House. The entrance fee for members is \$20; annual subscription, \$10. Applicants for membership must be members of the bar, and are elected by ballot. During the past year, the receipts amounted to \$1,335, and expenses to \$1,267. logues have been published; the last, of January, 1853, is complete to John T. Richards, Librarian.

The Sr. Louis University was founded in 1829; at the same time, a collection of books was begun. The library now contains 13,000 volumes. There is no permanent fund, but the library increases by the expenditure of nearly \$250 a year. It now occupies a room 40 feet square, with the expectation of entering a room, 55 by 60 feet, in an addition to the college now building. The library is general in character, open for reference to all persons; circulation full and free to professors, but only occasional to the students. It is open half an hour in the morning and the same in the afternoon. Nearly one half of the library consists of works in Theology. There has been, as yet, no printed catalogue. There are five literary societies of students, the aggregate of whose libraries amounts to about 1,850 volumes. These supply books for circulation among the students. Mr. J. F. Diels, College Librarian.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LIBRARIANS' CONVENTION.

HELD IN NEW YORK CITY, SEPT. 15, 16, AND 17, 1853.

CALL.

The undersigned, believing that the knowledge of Books, and the undation and management of collections of them for public use, may e promoted by consultation and concert among librarians and others iterested in bibliography, respectfully invite such persons to meet in onvention at New York, on Thursday, the Fifteenth day of September, for the purpose of conferring together upon the means of advancing is prosperity and usefulness of public libraries, and for the suggestion ind discussion of topics of importance to book collectors and readers.

May, 1853.

CHAS. FOLSOM, Boston Athenœum.
C. C. JEWETT, Smithsonian Institution.
T. W. HARRIS, Harvard College.
PHILIP J. FORBES, Society Library, N. Y.
SAMUEL F. HAVEN, American Antiquarian Society.
BARNAS SEARS, Massachusetts State Library.
E. C. HERRICK, Yale College.
JOSHUA LEAVITT, American Geographical and Statistical Society.
EDWARD E. HALE, Worcester, Mass.
HENRY BARNARD, Hartford, Ct.

J. W. CHAMBERS, American Institute.

WM. E. JILLSON, Providence, R. I.

A. J. UPSON, Hamilton College.

JAMES GREEN, Baltimore Mercantile Library.

W. A. JONES, Columbia College.

R. A. GUILD, Brown University.

G. H. MOORE, New York Historical Society.

W. F. POOLE, Boston Mercantile Library.

N. B. SHURTLEFF, American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

S. HASTINGS GRANT, New York Mercantile Library.

L. M. BOLTWOOD, Amherst College.

WM. P. CURTIS, St. Louis Mercantile Library.

R. H. STEPHENSON, Cincinnati Mercantile Library.

H. M. BAILEY, Hartford Young Men's Institute.

GEO. E. DAY, Lane Seminary.

LLOYD P. SMITH, Philadelphia Library Company.

DELEGATES.

In accordance with the foregoing call, the following persons assembled at the rooms of the University of the City of New York, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, Sept. 15, 16, and 17, 1853. It will be seen that more than eighty gentlemen were present, the representatives of forty-seven different libraries. These institutions are located in thirteen different States, and contain collectively over six hundred thousand volumes.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Prof. C. C. Jewett, Librarian of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington.

MAINE.

James Merrill, Librarian of the Athenæum, Portland. Prof. Roswell D. Hitchcock, Bowdoin College, Brunswick.

MASSACHUSETTS.

CHARLES FOLSOM, Esq., Librarian of the Athenæum, Boston.

WM. F. Poole, Librarian of the Mercantile Library Association, Boston.

S. F. HAVEN, Librarian of the American Antiquarian Society, Worcester.

Rev. Edw. E. Hale, Worcester.

RHODE ISLAND.

R. A. Guild, Librarian of Brown University, Providence.

Thomas Hale Williams, Librarian of the Atheneum, Providence.

Albert J. Jones, Director of the Atheneum, Providence.

Char W. Jencks, Librarian of the Mechanics' Library, Providence.

Char Akerman, Director of the Mechanics' Library, Providence.

S. Ballou, Carrington Library, R. I.

CONNECTICUT.

Hon. HENRY BARNARD, Superintendent of Common Schools, Hartford.
HENRY M. BAILEY, Librarian of the Young Men's Institute, Hartford.
Daniel C. Gilman, Delegate from the Linonian Library of Yale College,
New Haven.

Rev. JAS. T. DICKINSON, Durham.

NEW YORK CITY AND STATE.

- Philip J. Forbes, Esq., Librarian of the New York Society Library, New York.
- Geo. H. Moore, Librarian of the New York Historical Society, New York.
- Prof. Henry B. Smith, D. D., Librarian of the Union Theological Seminary, New York.
- J. L. Lyons, Assistant Librarian of the Union Theological Seminary, New York.
- WM. CURTIS NOVES, Esq., Librarian of the New York Law Institute, New York.
- WM. A. Jones, Librarian of Columbia College, New York.
- JOHN L. VANDERVOORT, M. D., Librarian of the New York Hospital, New York.
- Prof. Howard Crossy, Librarian of the University of the City of New York.
- JAMES HENRY, Jr., Actuary of the Mechanics' Institute, New York.
- WM. OLAND BOURNE, Assistant Librarian of the Free Academy, New York.
- E. A. HARRIS, Librarian of the American Institute, New York.
- S. HASTINGS GRANT, Librarian of the Mercantile Library, New York,
- WM. VAN NORDEN, Representative of the Apprentices' Library, New York. HENRY GITTERMAN, Assistant Librarian of the Hebrew Young Men's Literary Association, New York.

J. DISTURNELL, Member of the American Geographical and Statistical Society, New York.

Rev. ISAAC FERRIS, D. D., Chancellor of the University of the City of New York.

Rev. Thomas De Witt, D. D., Vice President of the New York Historical Society, New York.

DANIEL W. FISKE, Assistant Librarian of the Astor Library, New York.
MAUNSELL B. FIELD, Esq., Recording Secretary of the New York Historical Society, New York.

EDWIN WILLIAMS, of the Library Committee of the American Institute, New York.

Rev. Gorham D. Abbott, Principal of the Spingler Institute, New York. Prof. Benj. N. Martin, University of the City of New York.

Prof. John Torrey, of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York.

Rev. SAMUEL OSGOOD, Delegate from the Providence Athenæum.

WM. C. GILMAN, Esq., New York.

Prof. George W. Greene, New York.

Rev. E. H. CHAPIN, New York.

John Banyard, New York.

CHARLES B. NORTON, Literary Gazette, New York.

Aug. Maverick, New York Times.

J. W. KENNADY, New York Express.

J. S. THAYER, Evening Post, New York.

John J. Schroeder, New York.

EDWIN H. GRANT, M. D., New York.

S. S. Purple, M. D., New York.

Mr. Perry, of the Astor Library, New York.

ROBERT DODGE, New York.

Aug. K. GARDNER, M. D., New York.

THOMAS J. SAWYER, New York.

Joseph F. Noyes, Librarian of the Athenæum, Brooklyn.

GEO. H. STEBBINS, Principal of Public Schools, Brooklyn.

HAROLD HINDE, Brooklyn.

Capt. Henry Coppée, Librarian of the U. S. Military Academy, West Point.

Prof. A. J. Upson, Librarian of Hamilton College, Clinton.

H. P. FILER, Librarian of the Young Men's Association, Troy.

W. T. WILLARD, Librarian of the Lyceum of Natural History, Troy.

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Eurs S. Hawley, Representative of the Young Men's Association, Buffalo.

C. H. RAYMOND, Buffalo.

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Prof. G. M. Giger, Librarian of the College of New Jersey, Princeton.

Prof. W. Henry Green, Librarian of the Theological Seminary, Princeton.

F. W. RICORD, Librarian of the Newark Library Association, Newark.

Rev. C. R. V. Romondt, Librarian of Rutgers College, New Brunswick.

S. G. DEETH, New Brunswick, and Washington, D. C. WM. COOPER, Hoboken.

PENNSYLVANIA.

LLOYD P. SMITH, Librarian of the Library Company, *Philadelphia*.

JOHN WM. WALLACE, Librarian of the Law Association, *Philadelphia*.

MARYLAND.

- James Green, Librarian of the Mercantile Library Association, Baltimore
- A. C. Rhodes, Vice President of the Mercantile Library Association, Baltimore.

OHIO

ELIJAH HAYWARD, Librarian of the State Library, Columbus.

R. H. Stephenson, Librarian of the Mercantile Library Association, Cincinnati.

MISSOURI.

W. P. Curtis, Librarian of the Mercantile Library Association, St. Louis. Frederick Vinton, St. Louis.

LOUISIANA.

- John L. Sheafe, Librarian of the State Library of Louisiana, New Orleans.
- B. F. French, Representative of the Fisk Free Library, New Orleans.

CALIFORNIA.

EDWARD E. DUNBAR, Delegate from the Mercantile Library Association, Sun Francisco. Apologies were also presented from the following gentlemen, unable to be present:—

Dr. Cogswell, of the Astor Library; Prof. Beck, of the N. Y. State Library; Dr. Harris, of Harvard College Library; E. C. Herrick, Esq., of Yale College Library; Dr. Sears, of the Massachusetts State Library; George Livermore, Esq., of Boston; Prof. Johnson, of the N. Y. State Agricultural Society; Rev. Adolph Frost, of the Burlington (N. J.) College Library, and Wm. MacDermott, of Norristown Library, Pa.

OFFICERS.

The Convention was called to order by Charles Folsom, Esq., of the Boston Athenæum, and, upon motion, the following persons were chosen officers:

President:

Prof. Chas. C. Jewett, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C.

Secretary:

S. HASTINGS GRANT, Mercantile Library Association, New York City.

Business Committee:

CHARLES FOLSOM, Athenseum, Boston,

PHILIP J. FORBES, Society Library, New York,

J. W. WALLACE, Law Association, Philadelphia,

R. A. Guild, Brown University, Providence,

R. H. Stephenson, Mercantile Library Association, Cincinnati, With the President and Secretary of the Convention.

OPENING ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT.

Prof. Jewett, upon taking the chair, acknowledged the honor conferred upon him, and proceeded to remark as follows:

It must be highly gratifying to those who signed the call for this Convention, to notice the response which it, this morning, receives. To every one who knows the nature of a librarian's duties,—the details which consume his days, and render absence from his post impossible, except at the cost of severe labor on his return,—it must be manifest that we have met at considerable personal sacrifice. We obey some strong and wide-felt impulse in incurring the expense and the trouble of this gathering.

The call for this Convention was not the result of a correspondence among librarians, nor was it the subject of long and careful consideration. It was, rather, a spontaneous movement. It was first, I think, suggested a year ago, or more, in the Literary Gazette. Librarians spoke to each other on the matter, when they happened to meet. Every one was pleased with the idea. At length a formal call was written, and signed by a few who happened to meet the gentlemen having charge of the paper.

In compliance with such an invitation, we have assembed this morning. It is not, so far as I know, proposed to accomplish any end by this Convention, beyond the general one expressed in the call, of "conferring together upon the means of advancing the prosperity and usefulness of public libraries," and of seeking mutual instruction and encouragement in the discharge of the quiet and unostentatious labors of our vocation, for which each, at his separate post, finds perhaps but little sympathy—for which each, when at home, must derive enthusiasm only from within himself, and from the silent masters of his daily communion.

We have no peculiar views to present, no particular set of measures to propose. We meet without preparation. No order of business has been arranged. Our proceedings must be spontaneous as our meeting. It is not important that they be systematic and formal. We come to receive and to act upon suggestions. We are not here for stately debate, for conspicuous action, much less for an exhibition of ourselves. These things are foreign from our vocation, and not congenial with our tastes. We meet for familiar, informal, conversational conference, where each may take his part, and no one be prevented from contributing his share to the profits of the enterprise, by his inexperience in public speaking, or his inability to make elaborate preparation. Those gentlemen connected with the public press who honor us with their presence, must have been attracted hither by a scholarlike sympathy with our quiet pursuits, which will lead them to appreciate our feelings in this respect, in the reports which they may give.

It is indeed to be hoped that our meeting will have its influence upon the public mind. If our discussions are natural and unrestrained, suggested and shaped by right views of the position which we hold, or ought to hold, in general society and in the republic of letters; if they present to ourselves and to others the difficulties with which we have to contend; if they elicit thought and information upon the collecting of books for private culture, for public enlightenment, and for learned investigations, and upon the best means of promoting the increase and efficiency of such collections;—if we manifest here, while we talk of books as material objects, and of books in their internal significance, that respectful, dignified, and noiscless spirit inspired by the associations in the midst of

which we live, the public will certainly feel and acknowledge the beneficial influence of our meeting, and will desire an official report of the progress and results of our deliberations.

The occasion is one of peculiar interest. This is the first convention of the kind, not only in this country, but, so far as I know, in the world.

There have, indeed, been bibliographical associations, but they have been, for the most part, composed of dilettante, and not of practical librarians and lovers of books. The gratification of a passion for rare and curious books has generally been their object. Books were too often valuable to them, only as they were worthless to the rest of the world. Each member glorying in the possession of a unique copy of some old work, was required to reprint it, with only copies enough to give one to each member. One society has played the part of bibliotoph, by requiring, that if a member dies, and his copy of one of these reprints is to be sold by auction, it shall be bought by the Society at any price it may be necessary to pay.

These associations have had their origin in a different state of society from ours. We can at present have but little sympathy with their principal design. We have none whatever with their selfishness.

We would not be supposed to chide the passion for book rarities, where it exhibits itself simply in collecting and preserving what is curious and costly, and not in its destruction or concealment. Why should not a rich man spend his money in this way, as well as in a thousand others which are harmless? We may go further, and assert that a collection of rare books can scarcely be formed, without subserving the interests of learning, whether made with such a design or not. The public are not unfrequently surprised by results anticipated only by the collector.

I may allude, in this connection, to a distinguished gentleman in our own country, who made, at great expense, a collection of early-printed books, without any regard to the subjects of which they treated, the languages in which they were written, or their worth as literary productions. By those who did not know his purpose, he was called a bibliomaniac. He had, however, a definite object in view, which was, to investigate the early history of typography by its monuments. Books which he never cared to read, were full of instruction to him. He deduced from the close examination of them, many facts new to the bibliographical world, and showed the unsoundness of many generally received theories. For example, he satisfied himself that books, in the early days of typography, were never printed from block letters, that is, from sepa-

rate types of wood, or of wood faced with metal. He proved, too, that many of these books were printed one page at a time. It had been supposed that the early printers must have had immense fonts of type. In many folios the sheets are quired, and it was very naturally supposed that the type of every page of the quire must have been set up before any was printed off. But he traced a broken letter from page to page, and he found such irregularities of register as could not have occurred, had the two pages of the same form been printed at the same time; and he thus demonstrated that these books were printed page by page, and that consequently only a very small font of type was necessary.

Now, these are new, interesting, and valuable results; and they are only specimens which occur to me at the moment, of deductions from the examination of books, which an ordinary observer would say it was infatuation to collect.

But our object, at present, is of a more manifestly and eminently practical and utilitarian character. We meet to provide for the diffusion of a knowledge of good books, and for enlarging the means of public access to them. Our wishes are for the public, not for ourselves.

In our assembling to-day we obey the impulses of our peculiar civilization. We are preeminently a reading people. In Prussia the whole population are taught to read; but a distinguished citizen of that country, who had traveled in the United States, once expressed to me the difference between his own countrymen and the Americans, by saying: "Our people can read, your people do read." The generally diffused love of reading, for the sake of gaining information, has led to the establishment of a large number of libraries, so that, in the number and general diffusion of small collections of books, we are richer already than any other country in the world. Reading creates the desire to read more, and select reading increases the desire to read profitably. Hence, in every village the questions are asked: "How shall we get good books? How shall we keep them? How shall we use them?" To consult on the best replies to questions like these, is one of the objects of our assembling to-day.

Another demand of our peculiar civilization is, for the means of thorough and independent investigation. We wish to own no men as masters. We intend to re-examine all history from our own American stand point, and we must rewrite it, where we find its facts have been tortured to teach the doctrines of injustice and oppression. The mental activity of this country is surveying every field of research, literary,

scientific, aesthetic, industrial, and philanthropic. It requires to know what others have done and thought, that it may itself press farther outward. This country, therefore, demands the means of the amplest research, and this demand must and will be met.

These views have impressed themselves deeply upon our minds, as we are the appointed custodians of the literary treasures of the country, and have led us to desire mutual assistance and concentration of efforts in providing for these intellectual necessities of our American life. For our present meeting it has been proposed to adopt the simplest form of organization; to appoint, besides a president and a secretary, a business committee to receive suggestions and propositions, and arrange the order of proceedings for each day's session. I unite most cordially in the hope which I have heard expressed this morning, that this Convention may be the precursor of a permanent and highly useful association.

COURTESIES.

Invitations were received and accepted to visit the following libraries: Astor, Society, Historical, Union, Theological, Columbia College, Mercantile, American Institute, Mechanics' Institute, and Free Academy; also from the Directors of the Crystal Palace, through T. Sedgwick, Esq., to visit the Exhibition of Industry; from Mr. Bryan, to the Gallery of Christian Art; from Dr. Abbott, to the Museum of Egyptian Antiquities; and from Mr. Banvard, to his Panorama of the Holy Land.

An invitation to a social gathering at the Kemble House was also presented by members of the Convention from the city of New York.

REPORTS FROM LIBRARIES.

Early in the Convention, reports were presented by the different librarians present, in regard to the condition of the institutions in their charge. These returns have been incorporated, in an afterpart of this Register, with recent information received from other libraries.

Among other remarks, the following were made by Capt. Coppée, in regard to the Library of the United States Military Academy, at West Point.

MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION:

The Institution which I have the honor to represent is certainly peculiar and unique—both sui juris and sui generis—in that it is under the control of the general government, and that its special character is military and scientific.

You have read the "Mideein malgré lui;" I may truly say that when was appointed Librarian of the Military Academy, I was a librarian in pite of myself. The little service I had seen, and the partial fondness or certain kinds of reading, had given me no knowledge of the great procressive science of bibliography, a science nobler in its results than simple authorship, in that it classities and makes available at one intelligent glance, masses of matter, rich specimens of mental ore, which otherwise would lie hidden and useless to the world.

What, however, was received with reluctance, has been retained with pleasure, and pursued with such ardor as the pressure of other duties

would permit.

The library of the Military Academy is sustained and increased by an appropriation of \$1,000 a year, which, I regret to be obliged to say, is found insufficient to keep pace with the valuable publications in our special branches. Some years, owing to a spirit of retrenchment in Congress, this inadequate sum has been intermitted, and then, in military phrase, we "mark time" for a year, which is, in effect, retrograding to an alarming degree. "Not to advance," says a good maxim, "is to fall back:" the individual student and the public library alike verify its truth.

When the appointment of Librarian was conferred upon me, I found that, with a rigor at once ill-judged and ill-productive, almost all light literature,—poetry, fiction and some of those charming modern works, which, verily, can only be characterized as lying between the two,—a delectable land of the heart and the imagination,—had been interdicted. Since that time, careful additions of standard works of these classes have been made: we ventured, sir, upon a set of the Waverley Novels, and introduced the Corps of Cadets to the Great Magician—need I add, with perfect satisfaction to all concerned.

I have one word to add in favor of a popular direction to our proceedings. It is in accordance with the pervading spirit of our government. The people, sir, are the rule; everything else, the exception.

Let our deliberations, then, not lose sight of this fact. Rare books cost great prices, and are read afterwards by few,—the scholars, the great book-makers for future generations—and these should not be neglected but, first remember, that good current learning and knowledge, facts an practical science for the million are within the reach of small sum the assessment of which will scarcely be felt by the poorest, and the agregate of which will astonish the people by its greatness, and enlight the world by its influence.

THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION, AND ITS PLAN OF CATALOGUING.

Mr. Haven, of Worcester, having been called to the Chair, an position was made in regard to the Smithsonian Institution at Wash ton, by Prof. Charles C. Jewett.

He first presented the following table, which exhibits the numb books and other articles added to the library of the Smithsonian In tion during the year 1852, with the sources from which they were received:—

	Books	Pamph.	Parts.	Eng'gs.	Maps.	Music.	Drawings.	Other. Articles.	Totals.
By Purchase,	641	918	1568				<u></u>		3127
By Donations, .	1481	1935	171	10	1698			41	5336
By Copyright, .		96	26	15	10	692	9	19	1343
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Totals,	2598	2949	1765	25	1708	692	9	60	9806

The extent of the various collections in the library, at the end of 1852, is shown by the following table:—

	Books.	Pamph.	Parts.	Eng'gs.	Maps.	Music.	Drawings.	Other Articles.	Totals.
By Purchase,	3873	957	1568	1335	2				7735
By Donations, .	2657	3872	171	58	1725		30	41	8554
By Copyright, .	2304	213	26	24	51	1826	9	86	4539
By Deposit,									873
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Totals,	9707	5042	1765	1417	1778	1826	39	127	21701

In answer to various inquiries, Prof. Jewett also stated in this connection, that the average number of books annually received under the copyright law was about 450. He presumed that this was not more than one-third of all the books copyrighted in the country. The laws regulating the deposit were defective. One copy is required to be deposited with the District Clerk and by him to be transmitted to the Department of State at Washington; one copy is also required to be deposited in the Library of Congress, and one in the Library of the Smithsonian Institution. A larger number of these books is probably received at the Smithsonian Institution than in either of the other libra-The deposit in the State Department is regarded as burdensome. and the President, in a recent message, recommended that the copyright business be transferred from the Department. There ought to be somewhere a complete collection of these books, as there is of models of machines in the Patent Office. The protection of authors and publishers requires that certified copies of their publications should be preserved. The public have also a great interest in providing that one copy of everything issued from the press should be preserved for future reference. It was hoped that some modifications of the present laws might be made. which would secure both these ends and at the same time diminish the resent requirements from publishers. No provision was made by law or transmitting these books to the places of deposit. Consequently nany of those deposited with the District Clerks never reach the State Department. Some of those sent to the Smithsonian Institution, cost wenty times what they are worth, being sent, by mail, scaled, by publishers who suppose that the Institution possesses the franking privilege.

Prof. Jewett then proceeded as follows:-

It is well known to you, Mr. Chairman, and to other gentlemen present, that previous to the passage of the act of Congress establishing the Smithsonian Institution, various propositions were from time to time made to Congress, for the appropriation of the fund bequeathed to the United States by James Smithson, "to found at Washington an establishment for the increase and diffusion of knowledge among men." One project was to establish an astronomical observatory, another to form an agricultural school, another to found a National University, another to place the money under the charge of the National Institute, &c., &c. No one of the many plans suggested met the approval of Congress, until Mr. Choate proposed, and in one of his most brilliant and effective speeches advocated, the establishment of a great central library of reference and research. His bill met with general approval and passed the Senate, but was lost among other unfinished business in the lower House. At the next session of Congress, a select committee was appointed by the House of Representatives, upon the administration of the Smithsonian The members of this committee were divided in opinion. finally reported a bill, in which the Library was a subordinate but still an important feature. When this bill came up for discussion, Mr. Choate's plan was vigorously attacked by one of the leading members of the committee; but it found powerful advocates. Mr. Marsh defended the library in a speech of great learning, ability and cloquence. strongly did the House approve of Mr. Marsh's views, that when he inroduced a series of amendments, designed, as he expressly stated, "to lirect the appropriation entirely to the purpose of a library," everything which he proposed was adopted. Congress refused to limit the annual appropriation for the Library to 10,000, or even to 20,000 dollars. By fixing the maximum of the annual appropriation at \$25,000, a sum nearly equal to the whole income of the fund, Congress unequivocally indicated its intentions, had they not been made sufficiently clear by other votes.

The principal management of the Institution was intrusted to a Board of Regents, composed of three Senators, three Representatives, six citizens of the States, appointed by joint resolution, and three members exofficio, namely, the Vice President of the United States, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and the Mayor of the City of Washington. It was soon found that there were two prominent parties in the Board—not hostile parties, for there is nothing hostile in such matters, but parties of different views in reference to the objects to be pursued by the Institution. One party was in favor of adhering to the library plan, stamped as it was with the approval of Congress; the other was in favor of ex-

pending the income in publications and scientific researches. After considerable discussion, it was agreed to divide the income of the Institution permanently between the two great departments: that of collections in literature, science and art, and that of publications and scientific researches.

This plan was followed for a time, but at present a large proportion of the fund is appropriated to other purposes than those of the Library. During the last year only about 1,000 dollars were expended in the purchase of books, and during the present year a still smaller sum will be thus devoted. It has seemed to me my duty to state to you these facts, in order that you might understand the precise position of the Smithsonian Library, the ground of the expectations which had been raised respecting it, and the reasons why they had not been realized. I am happy to add to the statement which I have made, that whatever may have been the feeling with reference to the purchase of books, the "active operations" of the library department—the collection and publication of statistics of libraries, the increase and dissemination of bibliographical knowledge, the development and support of the catalogue system, &c.,—have met with cordial approval and support. This must be gratifying to those I doubt not that whatever may be the policy of the Inwho hear me. stitution with reference to its own collections, it will do all that its means will allow for the benefit of other libraries,

For myself I have always believed, and still believe, that a large central library of reference and research will be collected at the Smithsonian Institution, if not by the expenditure of the funds of the Institution, by The funds of the Institution are very small, in comparison other means. with the necessities of literature and science in this country and when we are obliged to choose among worthy objects, there will become to be different opinions. I feel, however, that the formation of the library is a matter sure to be accomplished—if not immediately, yet before many years. A great central library is an important national object; as necessary, to secure the literary independence of this people, as was the war of the Revolution to secure its political independence. It is an object which, besides attracting donations and bequests from the rich, may receive appropriations from our national treasury. Congress, having the control of the treasury of this rich, mighty, and intelligent nation, will not, I believe, be backward in making appropriations for this object, whenever it shall be suitably presented to them. Congress may be regarded as liberal in matters of science and of learning, whenever they are sure that the money will be honestly and properly expended. men do not believe this. But look at the action for replenishing the desolated hall of the Library of Congress. Most persons were of opinion that Congress could not be brought to make an appropriation exceeding \$30,000 for this purpose; but, when Mr. Chandler proposed \$75,000, it was readily granted. It would have been had he asked \$200,000, if they had thought that sum necessary, and believed that it would be honestly and judiciously devoted to the gathering of a good library.

There is one other remark I wish to make respecting the position of

the Smithsonian Institution among the other literary institutions of the country. So far as I know, it possesses, claims, desires, no authority or power of dictation. The principle has been established and steadily pursued, of occupying, as far as possible, untenanted ground. The posisition of the Institution at Washington, its connection with the government, and its large fund, devoted by its donor and by the act of Congress to the promotion of the cause of knowledge, give to it the means of doing much which could not otherwise be accomplished for literature and sci-In these efforts it needs and relies on the cordial support of other institutions, which, I am happy to say, it has always received. ever it is found that any other society or any individual is ready and able to take up and carry out its plans, they are immediately relinquished by us. I may here give one instance, that of Mr. Norton's Lite-Mr. Norton had formed the plan of publishing the Gazette, without knowing that a similar project had been recommended by myself for the bibliographical department of the Smithsonian Bulletin. He proposed to give the bibliographical intelligence in connection with advertisements, which he thought would eventually be profitable to him. When he saw what I had written, he came on to Washington, and offered to abandon his plan. But we were glad to find that he was willing to undertake to accomplish the same purpose which we had in view, and gave up the whole to him, offering him such assistance as we could render, and encouraging him to believe that the enterprise would prove a profitable one. I am happy to know that this expectation has been fully justified; and I hope that the prosperity of this useful journal will continually increase.

In reference to these remarks, Mr. HAYWARD, of Ohio, presented the following resolution, which was adopted unanimously.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the Board of Regents and Officers of the Smithsonian Institution, for their steady and effective efforts for the increase and diffusion of knowledge among men, and particularly for the measures which they have adopted for the encouragement and promotion of the public libraries of our country; and we have great pleasure in looking to that institution as the central establishment of the United States for the furtherance of all such objects.

THE SMITHSONIAN CATALOGUE SYSTEM.

Prof. Jewett then proceeded to remark:

The catalogue system of which I intend to speak, is one of those enterprises which could not have been carried into operation except under the protection and guidance of the Smithsonian Institution; nor can it be successful, unless it meets the hearty approval and co-operation of other libraries. I wish, therefore, to present the matter fully and explicitly to this Convention.

Few persons, except librarians, are aware of the nature and extent of

the difficulties which have been encountered in attempting to furnish suitable printed catalogues of large and growing libraries; difficulties apparently insurmountable, and menacing a common abandonment of the hope of affording guides, so important, to the literary accumulation

of the larger libraries of Europe.

While the catalogue of a large library is passing through the press, new books are received, the titles of which it is impossible, in the ordinary manner of printing, to incorporate with the body of the work. Recourse must then be had to a supplement. In no other way can the acquisitions of the library be made known to the public. If the number of supplements be multiplied, as they have been in the library of Congress, the student may be obliged to grope his weary way through ten catalogues, instead of one, in order to ascertain whether the book which he seeks be in the library. He cannot be certain, even then, that the book is not in the collection, for it may have been received since the last appendix was printed. Supplements soon become intolerable. whole catalogue must then be re-arranged and re-printed. The expense of this process may be borne so long as the library is small, but it soon becomes burdensome, and, ere long, insupportable, even to national establishments.

There is but one course left—not to print at all. To this no scholar consents, except from necessity. But to this alternative, grievous as it is, nearly all the large libraries of Europe have been reluctantly driven.

More than a century has passed, since the printing of the catalogue of the Royal Library at Paris was commenced. It is not yet finished. No one feels in it the interest which he would, if he could hope to have its completeness sustained, when once brought up to a given date.

Not one European library, of the first class, has a complete printed catalogue, in a single work. The Bodleian Library is not an exception. It may be necessary to search six distinct catalogues, in order to ascertain whether any specified book was or was not in that collection, at the

close of the year 1847.

This is, surely, a disheartening state of things. It has been felt and lamented by every one who has had the care of an increasing library.

As a remedy for this evil, it is proposed to stereotype the titles separately, and to preserve the plates or blocks, in alphabetical order of the titles, so as to be able readily to insert additional titles, in their proper places, and then to reprint the whole catalogue. By these means, the chief cost of republication (that of composition) together with the trouble of revision and correction of the press, would, except for new titles, be avoided. Some of the great difficulties which have so long oppressed and discouraged librarians, and involved libraries in enormous expenses, may be thus overcome.

The peculiar position of the Smithsonian Institution suggested the application of this plan, on a wider scale, and for a more important purpose, than that of merely facilitating the publication of new and com-

plete editions of separate catalogues.

It had been proposed to form a general catalogue of all the books in

the country, with reference to the libraries where each might be found. The plan of stereotyping titles separately, suggested the following system for the accomplishment of this important purpose:

1. The Smithsonian Institution to publish rules for the preparation of

Catalogues.

2. Other institutions, intending to publish catalogues of their books, to be requested to prepare them in accordance with these rules, with a view to their being stereotyped under the direction of the Smithsonian Institution.

3. The Smithsonian Institution to pay the whole extra expense of

stereotyping, or such part thereof as may be agreed upon.

4. The stereotyped titles to remain the property of the Smithsonian

Institution.

5. Every library acceding to this plan, to have the right of using all the titles in the possession of the Institution as often as desired, for the printing of its own catalogue by the Smithsonian Institution, paying only the expense of making up the pages, of press-work, and of distributing the titles to their proper places.

6. The Smithsonian Institution to publish, as soon as possible, and at stated intervals, a General Catalogue of all Libraries coming into this

system.

I have already presented to members of the Convention copies of an unfinished work entitled the "Smithsonian Catalogue System." It contains: 1. A detailed account of the system; 2. Rules for the preparation of Catalogues; 3. Examples illustrating the rules. As to the first two matters, the work is complete. It was intended to print as examples the titles of all the works, in the department of bibliography and literary history, in the Smithsonian Library. These titles, to the number of one thousand, are stereotyped and ready for use. The progress of the work was interrupted by the sickness and absence of two of the men on whom we relied. I have been able to print off a few copies, by using the type for the last form of the rules instead of the stereotype plates as in the rest of the book, by limiting the number of examples and omitting the indexes. I hope in a few weeks to be able to finish this book, and to present it through the Smithsonian Institution to the public, as the first detailed publication of the system. About three years ago I read a paper on the subject before the American Scientific Association. not present the matter before the public, till the practicability of stereotyping by separate titles had been demonstrated. Practical stereotypers had said that it could not be done. But the perseverance and ingenuity of a gentleman now present, the Rev. Mr. Hale, of Worcester, showed that it could be done by the electrotype process, and even by the common stereotype process. This point once proved, we sought the best method of executing the work. About this time, Mr. Josiah Warren, of Indiana, called our attention to the new process and material for stereotyping which he had patented. We gave them a thorough trial, and at last adopted them. We have done much to perfect the process, and we are now ready to show to experts in practical printing the results which

we have attained. The perfecting of this mode of stereotyping, the adaptation of it to our purposes, and the arrangement of the practical details for the great work upon which we are commencing, have consumed much time and demanded great labor. The mechanical difficulties which we have had to meet and overcome will be appreciated by printers and stereotypers. The bibliographical difficulties will be fully understood by librarians. As soon as the practicability of the system had been established, as fully as it could possibly be, before its actual application on a large scale, and the value of it to the world of learning had been considered and proclaimed by a commission of the most competent men to whom the subject was referred by the Smithsonian Institution, the matter was presented to the Joint Library Committee of Congress. They considered it fully, and in the most liberal spirit, and finally recommended to Congress an appropriation for the cataloguing of its library upon this plan. This appropriation was readily granted. sufficient to enable us to prosecute the work till next December or Janu-It is not enough to finish the catalogue, but it is all that was asked We wish to proceed cautiously—demonstrating, step by step, the practicability and usefulness of our operations. The work on the catalogue of the Library of Congress is now in progress. The system is therefore in actual operation.

The title of every book and of each distinct edition is stereotyped upon a separate plate. The author's name also stands by itself. Each plate shows at a glance the heading to which it belongs. It is obvious that these plates may be placed together in alphabetical or other order, as may be desired. They are mounted on blocks for printing like other

stereotype plates. The great ends to be gained are:

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With respect to the rules for preparing catalogues, it may be proper to make a few explanatory remarks. They were formed after a careful study of those adopted for the preparation of the catalogue of the British Museum. They were examined and discussed in detail by the catalogue commission appointed by the Smithsonian Institution. They have been carefully revised to meet exigencies which have occurred in the practical application of them. That they are perfect and all-sufficient, is not, indeed, to be supposed. On many points there would be a difference of opinion. An effort has been carnestly and honestly made to frame the best possible code. But whether it be absolutely the best or not, the great desideratum of uniformity will be attained by the adoption of it.

The practical operation of the rules has been considered, no less than the theoretical perfection of the catalogue. It is necessary to frame such rules as we may reasonably expect to be able to follow. I would gladly have required that the number of pages of every book (distinguishing those of prefatory and appended matter,) and the names of publishers should in all cases be given. But these would require much additional time and labor, and would considerably increase the bulk of the catalogue. It was thought best, therefore, to omit them. We must endeavor to make the catalogue accurate so far as it goes. The examination of the book should be thorough. Additional particulars may hereafter be added in the form of notes, without disturbing the work first done.

The work upon which we have entered is not the work of a day, nor of a year. It demands long-continued, patient labor. Should it be successful, as we have every reason to hope that it will be, its best results will be realized after we have ceased from our labors. But its immediate results will amply reward our efforts. Some of them are now almost attained. The catalogue of the Library of Congress will, it is hoped, be a valuable gift to the bibliographical world. To the list now nearly ready for publication, of the books in the department of bibliography and literary history, belonging to the Smithsonian Library, it will be easy to add those in other libraries not already catalogued. We can then present to librarians a complete catalogue of the bibliographical apparatus to be found in the country. Catalogues of books in other branches of knowledge are now in preparation. As we thus proceed from library to library, and from one department of learning to another, each work will be complete and useful in itself, while it constitutes a finished portion of the general catalogue.

At the conclusion of these remarks, Mr. Folsom presented the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That we have considered attentively the plan for constructing catalogues of libraries, and a general catalogue of the public libraries of the United States, by means of stereotype titles, proposed and developed by the Smithsonian Institution. That we regard it as an object of high importance to the interests of our public libraries, and to the promotion of learning, and worthy to share in the funds of the Institution, and the zealous exertions of its officers; the more so as it is an enterprise which cannot be successfully prosecuted except under the protection, guidance and pecuniary support of this central establishment, for the increase and diffusion of knowledge.

Resolved, That we have learned with pleasure that Congress, on the recommendation of the Library Committee, made an appropriation for the practical testing of the plan in its application to the Library of Congress, and that the work is now in successful progress.

Resolved, That, as practical librarians and bibliographers, we take pride and satisfaction in the fact that a measure of so great literary utility has received the prompt and efficient support of our national legislature, and we would express the earnest hope that this support be extended to it liberally till its first great result, in the complete stereotyped catalogue of the Library of Congress, shall be attained.

Mr. Smith, of Philadelphia, said he had investigated Prof. Jewett's plan with considerable interest, and could heartily favor the resolutions. He thought the catalogue of the British Museum even might be completed, and thereby the scholars of the world be greatly benefited, by following this system. He thought the result of this experiment would be one grand catalogue of all the libraries of the United States.

Mr. Haven, of Worcester, said he thought the resolutions should contain some intimation that the idea was purely American in its inception and perfection.

Mr. Folsom said the intent of the resolutions was to stamp it as American.

The propriety of stating more clearly the fact, that the invention of separate stereotyped titles was purely American, was advocated by Mr. Haven, Prof. Greene, and others.

Prof. Jewett said that within the last few months he had heard that a claim for this invention had been set up in France, by the Chevalier de La Garde, an employee of the National Library. After the speech he

[Mr. J.] delivered before the American Scientific Association, M. de la Garde published a letter in the *Moniteur*, in which he stated that he had formed a similar plan eighteen years previous, that he had published an account of it in 1845, and that he had endeavored to secure its adoption. The plan of the Chevalier de la Garde differed in many respects from his own, but still it contained the idea of separate stereotype titles. Mr. J. stated still further, that this claim was entirely unknown to him until long after he had fully matured and had proposed his own system. He had never heard of such a proposition from any source, till after he had suggested it. He certainly hoped that full justice would be done to any earlier efforts than his own which may have been made in this direction.

Mr. Haven remarked, that in every great discovery there was always found a number of men who laid claim to be the originators, but it was universally admitted that he who carried a discovery to its successful application was the one entitled to the credit as inventor.

Mr. Folsom said that the same idea had struck him thirty years ago, and therefore he had a better claim than the French gentleman. Neither claim amounted to anything. The idea had produced nothing practical and useful. He would say, however, that though he had had the idea, when Prof. Jewett mentioned it to him he said that its practical development was "impossible."

Mr. Guild, of Providence, said he had at first entertained serious doubts as to the practicability of the system. Those doubts were now entirely removed, and he hoped the time would soon come when every library in the land would have its catalogue made out by means of separate stereotyped titles.

The first resolution was then amended as follows:

Resolved, That we have considered attentively the plan for constructing catalogues of libraries, and a general catalogue of the public libraries of the United States, by means of separate stereotype titles, originated and proposed by Prof. C. C. Jewett, and developed by him while librarian of the Smithsonian Institution, etc.

The three resolutions, as thus amended, were then unanimously adopted. Mr. Vinton, of St. Louis, then presented the following:

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by this Convention, to prepare a history of the invention of applying movable stereotype plates to the printing of the separate titles in a catalogue; and that their report be embodied in a written memorial, to be presented at the next annual session of this Convention, in order that it may be printed at the expense of the Convention.

The resolution was carried unanimously—and Mr. Folsom, of Boston, Mr. Guild, of Providence, and Rev. Mr. Hale, of Worcester, were appointed that Committee.

CENTRAL NATIONAL LIBRARY.

Mr. Forsom offered the following resolutions, which were adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the establishment of a great central library for reference and research, while it is demanded by the condition of the United States as to general civilization and intellectual advancement, is especially interesting to this Convention from the bearing it would have upon libraries throughout the country.

Resolved. That we deem such an establishment as being eminently worthy of support from the national treasury, and that in no way can the government better promote the progress of learning through the whole country, than by placing a central national library under the administration of the Smithsonian Institution.

POPULAR LIBRARIES.

The importance of popular libraries in every part of our country, was introduced by Rev. S. Osgood, of New York, in the following remarks:

I suppose, Mr. President, that no business is at present formally before the Convention, and that it is in order now for any member to suggest topics of interest for the consideration of the Committee just chosen. I hardly feel entitled to speak at this early stage of the proceedings, yet there may be something in my position, as a delegate and not a librarian, which will allow me to speak of your valuable profession, as one of yourselves, which you, with your characteristic professional modesty, could not do. When I first saw the call for this Convention in the newspapers, the idea struck me as a capital one, especially from its probable influence upon the public spirit of the country, as well as upon the fellow-feeling of librarians as a professional class. I little expected, however, to take any part in your proceedings, until being surprised by an appointment from the Providence Athenseum to represent its interests here, and thus renew with that noble institution a relation so much valued years ago. It is proper, therefore, for me to make some suggestions touching the welfare of our popular class of libraries, as representing an institution so prominent among them, and already numbering nearly twenty thousand volumes of the choicest books within its possession.

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May I not, however, say a word of congratulation at the appearance of things thus far in your assembly. It is good to be here with so large a class of men, so useful and laborious in one of the most important callings on earth—the keepers and the choosers of the aliment that nurtures the mental life of the nation. Every man is bet'er for honoring his vocation, and I hope that it will be one of the results of your delibe-

rations to make you think more highly of your work, and to bring to its labors a more cordial esprit du corps. The profession to which I belong owes an especial debt of gratitude to yours, so dependent are we, in all our more advanced states, upon the treasures of which you are the custodians. I surely never felt more disposed to acknowledge the obligation than now, when addressing a chair occupied by one who has done such eminent service to the library cause in this country. Some ten years since how we rejoiced in your return to the city of Providence, from your European tour, backed by a force of some ten thousand volumes of the choicest ancient and modern literature, to double the library of Brown University, and to multiply the resources of many earnest scholars, more abounding in the spirit than in the apparatus of liberal study. Much is said of the power of foreign immigration, and often the most startling statistics disclose the new elements of hope and peril that are landed every year upon our shores. Such immigration as you have promoted is all hopeful, and in nothing perilous. A blessing upon such arrivals of thousands of authors embodied in their books, and not a single shabby fellow among them all. What a great subject this matter of selecting and diffusing of books opens upon us! How much light would be thrown upon the inner life of the nation, if we could only trace the influence of good books as they make their noiseless progress throughout the land, spreading so much light, quickening so much energy, checking so much, and beguiling so much pain and sorrow! Honor to this movement that aims to help on the good cause. Too many bad books make their stealthy advances, that need to be tracked to their dens, even as the pestilence that walketh in darkness needs to be hunted to its hiding-Honor to every man who circulates two good books where only one circulated before. Remember Milton's noble words:--"As good almost kill a man as kill a good book: who kills a man, kills a reasonable creature—God's image; but he who destroys a good book, kills reason itself, kills the image of God as it were in the eye."

I should be very glad at the fitting time to say my poor word in behalf of the highest class of public libraries, and of the need of bringing them up to a more adequate standard. Proud as we are of our four or five great libraries, there is not one of them, not even that of Harvard University, my own cherished Alma Mater, that affords the requisite means for the thorough study of any one topic of recondite learning even, if of practical science. Any scholar who tries to investigate any ancient or historical subject will find, to his regret, that no library in the country has a plummet that can sound its depths. What facilities the noble Astor Library may afford, we can judge better when its merits ar

known and its treasures are consolidated.

There is no reason for being down-hearted at this state of things, fo we cannot expect soon to rival the great libraries of Europe, and ou present task is rather with the increase and improvement of libraries fo the people, than with great central institutions such as the wealth centuries only can endow. As the mass of the people obtain a highe culture by means at hand in every town and city, the demand for the highest class of books will increase, and the hope of national collection

will brighten. Now, what shall prevent our America from leading all nations of the earth longo intervallo in the number and value of our popuar Institutes and Athenseums? We are probably not much behind, if at all behind, any portion of Europe in the number of books collected in our villages, and available to the community at large. But not a tithe of the progress has been made that should have been made. What prevents every community of a thousand inhabitants from having its wellchosen library of a thousand volumes? and if this ratio were to be carried out in all our towns, how vast would be the increase and how noble the triumph of a sound popular literature! May not this Convention do something, by its discussions and action, to call attention to this matter, and rouse many a slumbering township to its imperative duty? Who shall presume to estimate adequately the advantages coming from the establishment of a good library in a community not before so favored? The immediate vicinity and the whole nation share in the benefit.

Many a thriving town needs some such centre of generous and elevating interest as an attractive library must be, and it should be considered but half civilized until such a centre is established. It should be one of the first things to be pointed out to the traveler in new regions. When in distant places, we yearn for some familiar objects, and we feel at once at home when we hear the pleasant church bells, and see the goodly company of stout men, fair women and sprightly children on their way to the sanctuary. How this home-feeling is deepened when we enter some neat and well-filled library, and look upon the array of good authors open to the perusal of the people, and feel a new sense even of humane and religious fellowship, as we think of the grand intellectual catholicity that unites the whole civilized world in the same literary al-The village library attracts to itself every congenial ally, and tends to diffuse social refinement as well as intellectual light. The Lyceum, often suggested by the tastes formed by reading, repays the debt by popular lectures, whose proceeds often pay the expense of new books, and there is no more cheering view of our Young America than that afforded by the thousands and tens of thousands of young men, of generous and inquiring minds, who gather around the popular institute, with its library and courses of lectures.

This Convention will not meet in vain, if it shall give the incentive to form one new institution of the kind anywhere in the land. Every such library tends to foster a worthy public spirit among citizens of ample means. Many a successful merchant of the city, who has thriven largely in some "sugar trade or cotton line," and who abounds far more in generous impulses than literary attainments, would rejoice to send to his native town or village some choice work of art, or valuable selection of books, as a token of kindly remembrance, if an institution existed that should suggest the hint and indicate the method to the benefactor. It will be found that every well organized popular library has been much enriched by such donations, none more so than that which I now represent, that Athenseum so nobly endowed by the heirs of Ives, so strengthened by the bequest of Butler, and favored every year by the generosity

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mirit.

The whole country grows by such institutions, for they at once collect the local and fugitive literature, so important to the natural history, and they create a demand for the best class of books, securing of themselves an encouraging market for a good sized edition of every work of undoubted value. I call your attention seriously to the value of such enterprises, and urge you to do something to extend and improve them. Following the report prepared by yourself, Mr. President, under the auspices of Congress, I find the number of libraries, of a public character, containing 1,000 volumes and upwards, to be only 423, and the aggregate number of volumes in the 694 libraries reported, exclusive of school libraries, to be 2,201,623. Now, sir, where is the town of any importance that should not at once have its thousand of good books circulating among its people, and what but the want of the true spirit shall prevent our two millions of volumes from swelling to twenty millions, nay, reaching before the year of the next census the full limit of our numerical population, although it may exceed thirty millions? Sir, with your leave, I offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, That while we maintain most decidedly the importance of libraries of the highest class, in furtherance of the most advanced literary and scientific studies, and rejoice in the rise and progress of our few great collections of books for professional scholars, we are convinced that for the present our chief hope must be in the establishment and improvement of popular libraries throughout the land.

Resolved, That the Business Committee be requested to call attention to the desirableness of a popular Library Manual, which shall embody the most important information upon the chief points in question, especially upon—

- 1. The best organization of a Library society, in regard to its officers, laws, funds, and general regulations.
- 2. The best plans for Library edifices, and the arrangements of the shelves and books, with the requisite architectural drawings.
 - 3. The most approved method of making out and printing catalogues.
- 4. The most desirable principle to be followed in the selection and purchase of books, as to authors and editions; with lists of such works as are best suited for libraries of various sizes, from 500 to 1,000 volumes or upwards.

Resolved, That the Business Committee be requested to consider the expediency of memorializing Congress to procure the preparation of such a Manual, through the agency of the Smithsonian Institution.

These resolutions were referred to the following committee, who are to take action upon them and report at the next meeting of the Convention; viz.: Rev. S. Osgood, Prof. C. C. Jewett, and Mr. R. A. Guild.

Subsequently, Rev. Gorham D. Abbort presented the following resotions :--

Resolved. That the time has now arrived when the extension of well-seeted public libraries, of 1,000, 5,000 and 10,000 volumes, throughout the owns and villages, the associations, the institutions, the schools of every sind in the United States, has become a matter of the greatest importance to the future welfare of our country.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to report a digested plan for the promotion of this object at the next meeting of this Convention.

Mr. HALE seconded these resolutions, and hoped that some means might be found to carry out the principle. But he called the attention of his friend who moved it to the danger which lurked in every such plan; that, so soon as such a list of books was suggested, there started up a bookseller's job, and the benefit of the list was lost in the struggles of those who sought to be the only publishers who could supply the libraries. The School Boards of the various States have found this difficulty so incurable, that they have refrained from suggesting any list of school books as an official list to be followed. There was, too, always, in every town, some peculiar want to be satisfied, which no general list could meet.

He took the opportunity presented in this resolution, to attempt some definition as to the real character of a "popular library:" the words had been frequently used in the sessions of the Convention, but needed more accuracy in their use than, out of the Convention, they always gained. In fact, there were two distinct meanings of the word "popular," and it is to one of these only that the resolution of his friend referred, or his support of it. That is "popular" which at the moment is attractive, as the play bills in the streets said Miss Julia Dean was a "popular" actress. That is "popular" in another sense, which is of real use to the whole people; and it is in this sense only that the resolution contemplates a popular library.

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of distribution to members of Congress and a few favored libraries j, they become, soon after publication, so scarce as to be practically seless, whereas, by the proposed distribution to the public libraries of the country, and for purposes of reference, (he presumed every library there represented was accessible to all civil gentlemen,) they would always be at hand for the use of those for whose benefit they were, in fact, printed. The Convention did not, therefore, by passing these resolutions, come before Congress in the attitude of beggars, but rather as demand-

ing, respectfully but firmly, for the people at large, their own.

Not that he would imply that there was, on the part of Congress, the slightest indisposition to do what in it lay for the "increase and diffusion of knowledge." On the contrary, the facts just mentioned by the Librarian of the Smithsonian Institution, not to speak of the munificient appropriation of something like \$150,000 for a work which, it was supposed, would be a history of the Indian Tribes, showed that Congress was not indifferent to the claims of learning. But there was a natural and proper dread of jobbery and corruption in making these appropria-In the case just mentioned the money had better have been thrown into the Potomac than that the Government should be disgraced. How much better had the \$150,000 been spent in building up, on the foundation of the Congress Library, or that of the Smithsonian Institution, a great National Library, which should be for this country what the British Museum, the Bibliothèque du Roi, the Royal Library of Berlin, and other national institutions are for the scholars of the old world. this led him to speak of the plan of distribution which, by these resolutions, was recommended to the wisdom of Congress. If a list of libraries was recommended by this Convention to the favor of Congress, those Senators and Representatives whose constituents were not included, would either oppose the resolutions, or, by adding amendment after amendment, endanger their passage; or if they should be passed, no provision would be made for libraries hereafter to be founded. No objection, he thought, could be made in any quarter, to handing over, every session, say at least 300 copies of all Public Documents to the Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, to be, at their discretion, distributed to such libraries as would be likely to use them for the greatest benefit of the country.

Mr. Hale was very glad to see this subject brought up. He looked upon it as the most important subject that could be brought before them. The government of the United States did more for the encouragement of Literature than any government of the world, but still, through some mis-

we have attained. The perfecting of this mode of stereotyping, the adaptation of it to our purposes, and the arrangement of the practical details for the great work upon which we are commencing, have consumed much time and demanded great labor. The mechanical difficulties which we have had to meet and overcome will be appreciated by printers and stereotypers. The bibliographical difficulties will be fully understood by librarians. As soon as the practicability of the system had been established, as fully as it could possibly be, before its actual application on a large scale, and the value of it to the world of learning had been considered and proclaimed by a commission of the most competent men to whom the subject was referred by the Smithsonian Institution, the matter was presented to the Joint Library Committee of Con-They considered it fully, and in the most liberal spirit, and finally recommended to Congress an appropriation for the cataloguing of its library upon this plan. This appropriation was readily granted. It is sufficient to enable us to prosecute the work till next December or Janu-It is not enough to finish the catalogue, but it is all that was asked We wish to proceed cautiously—demonstrating, step by step, the practicability and usefulness of our operations. The work on the catalogue of the Library of Congress is now in progress. The system is therefore in actual operation.

The title of every book and of each distinct edition is stereotyped upon a separate plate. The author's name also stands by itself. Each plate shows at a glance the heading to which it belongs. It is obvious that these plates may be placed together in alphabetical or other order, as may be desired. They are mounted on blocks for printing like other

stereotype plates. The great ends to be gained are:

1. To avoid the necessity of preparing, composing, and correcting anew the titles once printed, when the Library has received accessions, or the alternative of printing the titles of these accessions in supplements,

which are very inconvenient appendages.

2. To prevent the repetition of the work of preparation of titles, composition and correction of press, for copies of the same book in different libraries. The title once prepared and stereotyped, remains at the Smithsonian Institution, to be used by any Library having the same book.

3. To secure uniformity in the construction of catalogues, thus greatly

facilitating the researches of the student.

It is obvious that the cost of the first catalogue will be greater than if it were not stereotyped. The work of preparation will also be more expensive. But the additional cost of the first edition will be more than saved in the first reprinting of the whole catalogue. It will be further understood that the sum paid by the first Library is not only for its own benefit, but for that of every other Library hereafter adopting the plan, so far as its books are the same. Congress is therefore now conferring a great boon upon other Libraries, while at the same time it is taking the course, in the end most economical, for the construction of the catalogues of its own Library. There will also be a great saving of the ex-

pense of paper and press-work under this system. It is customary now to print off a larger number of copies of every catalogue than are immediately wanted, because it cannot be known how many may be required before the catalogue can be reprinted. On this plan, when a now edition, with all additions incorporated can be had at any time, it will not be thought necessary to print more copies than enough to meet the immediate demand.

It should be mentioned as one of the most important advantages of this system, that it affords the means of attaining great accuracy in the catalogues. Every effort will be made to secure accuracy in the first instance. Librarians will not, however, be surprised to find numerous errors. This system offers the best means of detecting and correcting these errors. Every time that a title is used for a new catalogue, it must be very carefully compared with the book itself. Every mistake and variation will be reported in a friendly spirit, and immediately corrected. The catalogue will thus be constantly undergoing a process of verification and improvement.

Upon all these topics I have dwelt more fully and systematically in the pamphlet to which I have alluded. It may not be amiss for me to notice one or two objections which may occur to the minds of practical printers against the use of these stereotype plates. One is, that the plates, being used so often, will become worn, and that when new plates are inserted, the difference between the new and old plates will be ob-

servable on the printed sheets.

To this objection I can say in reply: First, the number of copies required for each catalogue would be so small that it would be many years before there would be any noticeable difference between the old and new plates, were they made from common type metal. But, secondly, the material which we employ is harder than type metal, and resists much longer the wear of the press. I presume that a run of 100,000 copies would not make any observable difference between the old plates and the new.

Another difficulty which may suggest itself to some, is in keeping the register and preserving a uniform length of pages. The register, so far as the top and sides of the page are concerned, can be kept most perfectly. Variations in the length of the pages cannot be entirely avoided. But if some pages be longer or shorter by three or four lines, it is not a very serious matter. It may offend a printer's eye, but would not be noticed by the general reader. I may remark, however, that there are several ways of reducing the inequalities. Very long titles may be stereotyped in two or three pieces. The titles on a short page may be spread apart, making the matter a little more open and thus clongating the page. The catalogue may be printed in double-column folio. This size is preferable for a catalogue on other accounts. It presents more titles to the eye at once, and it also saves paper.

I would not be understood as insisting upon the catalogue being in folio, nor, indeed, upon its being alphabetical. These are matters not essential to the system. Each librarian can choose for himself; the system possessing this great advantage, that it is equally applicable to the folio, quarto, or octavo size; to alphabetical and to classed catalogues.

and that we recommend the proposition to the favorable consideration and support of the friends of literature throughout the United States, particularly to libraries and other literary institutions.

2.

A copy of a new index to the Periodical Literature of England and America was exhibited to the Convention, and, on motion of Mr. Folsom, it was unanimously

Resolved, That we have examined the work entitled "Index to Periodicals," by W. F. Poole, Librarian of the Mercantile Library of Boston, and that we approve of its plan and execution, and we recommend that a similar system of indexing be extended to the transactions and memoirs of learned societies.

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The following plan for a Catalogue of Standard Works relating to America was presented by Mr. DISTURNELL, and referred to the Business Committee.

STANDARD WORKS ON AMERICA, showing its History, Geography, and Statistics.

Also, a Catalogue of Works relating to American History, Geography, and Statistics of Population, Emigration, Agriculture, Commerce, Manufactures, Internal Improvements, Minerals, Coinage, and Banking.

The Historical and Geographical Works, including Maps and Charts, to date from the first discovery of America, by Columbus, to the present time. The Statistical Works to date from the first enumeration of the population of the United States, in 1790 or 1800, to the present period. "Statistics," although of modern date, the subject having first been brought forward and matured by Sir John Sinclair, of Scotland, during the last half and first part of the present century, is no doubt destined to become one of the most important sciences for the advancement of the human race. Enough is already known, from official and reliable statements, to form correct conclusions in regard to the working of different systems, whether relating to governments or domestic relations. Everything that can be numbered, weighed, or measured can be made the subject of minute inquiry and careful registry. What were formerly considered pure accidents, and so exempt from close examination, or beneath notice, have been shown, under the statistician's arrangement, to be the products of general laws, and to have a real and systematic bearing upon the welfare of man.

As the Science of Statistics is of so recent date, it is necessary to unite History and Geography in order to make the chain of knowledge perfect from the first discovery of the American continent, or its islands, in

1492, to the present period.

A complete list of Standard Works on information relating to the above kindred subjects, with the date of first publication, whether in

bound volumes, manuscripts, public documents, pamphlets, or separate articles in magazines, &c., giving the names of compilers and authorities as far as possible, would afford great assistance to the seeker after useful knowledge, aid in the formation of private and public libraries, and thus be a lasting benefit to the present and future generations.

CLASSIFICATION OF WORKS INTO CATALOGUES.

1.

The following letter from M. Merlin, of Paris, was presented to the Convention by Mr. C. B. Norton:—

Paris, 29th August, 1853.

DEAR SIR:—In promising to send to your Convention a slight bibliographical offering, I feel that I have not consulted my strength nor my time, and I must beg you to judge indulgently of these pages, traced in haste, and with the sole desire of expressing to you, as well as to the learned gentlemen who will assemble, my sympathy with their efforts.

I am happy to learn that one of the questions likely to be proposed at your bibliographical meeting is, the choice of some plan of classification proper to be adopted by the Libraries of the United States. Having been long impressed with the insufficiency of the different methods in use or proposed, I have made this important question the object of my study, and I have in press, at the Imperial Printing Office, a work in which, after having reviewed, analyzed, and estimated all that has been done up to the present time, especially in France, I now propose a new method, and give you herewith its principal points. I have already made use of this system of classification in several catalogues. That of the rich library of the celebrated Orientalist, Sylvestre de Sacy, edited by me, in 3 vols. 8vo., Paris, 1843 to 1847, shows the application of my system, and has some explanations in the preface.

In my opinion every systematic bibliographical classification should be based upon the logical classification of the sciences. I have therefore sought, in the first place, for the most natural order of arranging the different branches of human knowledge, independently of all application to bibliography, and it is from that order that I have deduced my

bibliographical system.

It is very difficult, I am aware, to judge correctly of a system from these detached portions. Nevertheless, I do not hesitate to transcribe for you some passages from my forthcoming work, which I think will give you an insight into my plan. If there are any obscure or doubtful passages, I trust that they will be explained by the work itself on its

appearance.

"According to my views, a system of bibliographical classification is a logical chain of great classes and their subdivisions, whose formation and order are the result of a few principles, which serve as a base to the system. The great object of bibliographical classification is to assist the memory, by presenting information which will facilitate the inquirer in his search after books that he already knows to exist, and impart to him

information concerning those with which he is unacquainted. This is almost the same as presenting the literary history of each science in a synoptical form. This result can only be attained by bringing together all the works that treat on the same subject, and by arranging them in such order that the mind shall pass naturally from each subject to that which should follow or precede it; and in this way the place where any subject is found will be a sort of definition of its nature, and its distinctive characteristics. . . . It is from this double operation, that is to say, from the bringing together similar subjects in their special groups, and determining the order which should be given to these groups, that their logical connection will be made manifest, and great assistance be given to the memory and mind. . . .

"But in order that this logical connection shall really assist the memory and the mind, it must be easy to comprehend and bear in mind the principles according to which the subjects have been brought to-

gether, and their order determined.

"If principles are adopted from merely abstract considerations, the classification will fail of accomplishing its end; it will be intelligible only to the minds of the few, and the best memory will fail to retain it. . . .

"If, on the contrary, the divisions are taken from the nature of the objects to be classified, and their order is based upon those great laws of nature which may be daily noted, the system will become intelligible to all, and every one's memory will be assisted.

General Classification of the Sciences, independent of Bibliography.

"Heretofore the Sciences have been generally classified according to arbitrary or metaphysical considerations, so that the progress of the Sciences, their comparative value, the relation which they bear to each other, their various applications, the nature of the moral faculties, the sources of human knowledge.

"Throwing aside these abstract considerations, I would rest upon principles which I consider less subject to discussion and more easy to

be understood.

"According to my view, the first elements of scientific classification should be taken from the subjects treated. Compare the Sciences with each other, and you will not fail to see that the most certain and the most unchangeable characteristic which distinguishes one from the other is the subject itself, and their position is, therefore, to be decided upon according to the nature of the subject treated. It is from this subject that they almost always take their name; but the same subject may be considered under different views, and may thus give rise to several Sciences connected with each other by the identity of the subject, but distinct according to the point of view from which each is considered.

"Thence result two principal and distinct things to be considered; first, the general subject, which will serve to separate these Sciences into groups; second, the point of view which will distinguish the Sciences of

each group from one another. . .

"The subject has first given us the distinctive character, according to which our divisions will be formed; it will also give us the order of these divisions. Since each group of Sciences represents a special subject, it is evident that the order of these groups should be modeled from

the subjects which they represent.

"Notwithstanding the indefinite variety of the subjects of human knowledge, all are material things, or are connected with material things by ties more or less direct, more or less intimate. If, then, we can find the most natural order for the productions of Creation, we shall have found the most natural order for the subjects of human knowledge, and, consequently, for human knowledge itself. It is not difficult to discover this order; it is seen by us at all times; it is that which the Creator himself has traced in his works, by graduating with such admirable regularity the organization of all beings, from the stone up to man.

"I would accordingly classify human knowledge by the objects of which it treats, either directly or indirectly, all arranged in the organic scale of being, and graduate this scale according to the chronological order of creation; that is to say, rising from the most simple to the most

perfect.

"As to the subjects which treat of intellectual abstractions, of the moral world, or considerations of the social state, we shall see, by what follows, how they take their place in the outline that I have just traced.

"I will proceed by analysis, showing the whole before the sections, the entire plan before the details, things in general before those in particular.

Great Divisions.

"In the universality of being we see, as a first division, on one side the Creator, on the other the Creation. All the ideas that relate to God, to whatever opinion or religion they may belong, will form a principal group, that I shall designate by the title of Theological Sciences.

"The Sciences and the Arts which treat of the whole or any portion of those myriads of created beings, shall be comprised under the common

title of Cosmological Sciences.

"Since cause is before effect, the science which treats of God should be before all other sciences, and it would be so in my classification, without the principles of analytical exposition by which my system is arranged, and according to which every science which embraces several objects ought to precede that which treats only of those objects. Now Theology has only God for its object, and there is another science which treats of God and the Creation, that is, Philosophy; not Psychology, which only describes the human soul, not Moral Philosophy, which lays lays down rules for social life, but Philosophy, as known to the Ancients, treating of first causes, of the Essence of Being, of the Creator and created things; in a word, embracing everything in an encyclopedic manner; Philosophy will then precede Theology, and after it will come the Sciences which relate to created things.

From this order spring three great divisions,

- I. PHILOSOPHY,
- II. THEOLOGICAL SCIENCES.
- III. COSMOLOGICAL SCIENCES.

The division of Cosmological Sciences will furnish the following groups:

1. MATHEMATICAL SCIENCE.

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- 2. Physical
- 8. ASTRONOMICAL
- 4. Geological
- 5. Mineralogical
- 6. Phytological
- 7. Zoological "
- 8. ANTHROPOLOGICAL "

As to the sciences which relate to Man, their division and order are not less simple or less natural. I consider Man under two heads, Individual Man and Man in Society. Individual Man presents me with two divisions, Physical Man and Moral Man. Society also furnishes us with two divisions, the Social or Political Sciences and the Historical Sciences.

This is, sir, the outline of my classification of the Sciences without the Bibliographical application. This application changes nothing of importance, it only adds numerous subdivisions and another class, Polygraphy.

I should be very much honored if my method were judged by your learned librarians worthy of being applied to the literary collections which are made all over America. But, whatever may be the judgment passed upon it, I shall be always delighted, sir, with the circumstance which has procured for me the opportunity of making your acquaintance, and to prove to you the great respect with which I am, sir,

Your very devoted servant,

R. MERLIN.

Mr. CHARLES B. NORTON.

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A Paper on the Classified Index of the Catalogue of the Philadelphia Library Company, prepared for the Librarians' Convention, by LLOYD P. SMITH, ESQ.

Gentlemen:—It has occurred to me that a short account of the manner of arranging and cataloguing the books of the Library Company of Philadelphia, might give rise to a discussion on those subjects which would be mutually instructive.

The Philadelphia Library has been in existence 121 years, and now numbers 65,000 vols. The books are arranged on the shelves according to a plan perhaps somewhat peculiar; that is, simply according to size. There are four sets of numbers, viz.: of folios, quartos, octavos, and duodecimos. This plan has some advantages as well as some disadvan-

ges. It gives a neat and uniform appearance to the books as they and on the shelves, and it makes it easy to ascertain at once whether a sok is "in" or not. There is one exact spot where each volume ought be; if it is not there it must be "out." It has the disadvantage that works on the same subject are not together. This is, however, less apportant with us than in those libraries where the cases are open to the abli cor to members for inspection. The books in the Philadelphia Limary are always kept under lock and key, the titles on the backs being, powerer, visible through the wires which protect them. When a book wanted, the catalogue indicates the number and size, and, on the prinfule of "a place for everything and everything in its place," it is readily bund.

It is obvious that, in our system, this strict dependence (where the **Ebrarian**'s memory is at fault) on the Catalogue makes a good one of the **rea**test importance.

When I took charge of the Library, in Jan., 1849, the state of the

Catalogues was this:—

All the books acquired by the Library before 1835 were included in one general Catalogue in two volumes. Those added from 1835 to 1844 were embraced in the First Supplement, and those from 1844 to 1849 in

the Second Supplement.

The great Catalogue of 1835 was arranged, according to subjects, into the usual five grand divisions of Religion, Jurisprudence, Sciences and Arts, Belles Lettres, and History. These chief heads were subdivided with considerable minuteness, each subdivision being arranged alphabetically by authors' names, and anonymous books being placed at the end. Of the remarkable accuracy and judgment (indicating extensive acquirements in the compiler) with which the titles of books are classified in this Catalogue, I cannot forbear speaking. It is the work of George Campbell, Esq., from 1806 to 1829 the Librarian of the Institution, and still, I am happy to say, its Secretary.

"Thank God for the makers of dictionaries!" a pious Oxford student was overheard to ejaculate; and I think, gentlemen, those who use the collections under our care have reason to be equally grateful that there

are such persons as the makers of catalogues.

But, however admirable may be the arrangement of a Systematic Catalogue, it constantly happens that those who use it are at a loss under what head to look for a particular work. An alphabetical Index, therefore, especially of authors' names, becomes necessary; and such an Index, but partial and so incomplete as not to be depended on, was extemporised as the Catalogue of 1835, was going through the press, and added to it as an Appendix. The Supplements of 1844 and 1849 are totally destitute of such an Index. To make sure that a book is not in the Philadelphia Library, it is necessary, therefore, to look through three Catalogues; and if, as constantly happens, it is doubtful under what head a book would fall, or, again, if the title of a book is known, but not the author's name, the search is a very tedious one, and sometimes hopeless.

To remedy these evils, I conceived the following plan, viz.: to con-

solidate the two Supplements, together with the MS. list of works add since 1849, into one Catalogue, classified like that of 1835, and to called vol. 3, the paging to run on continuously from vol. 2, which is follows that of vol. 1. It is not proposed to consolidate the whole is one complete Catalogue, on account of the expense, which woold about \$5,000. But most of the advantages of such a consolidation gether with some others not attainable by that process, will be seen by an alphabetical INDEX to the whole, on which I have been now mothan two years engaged.

In making this Index the plan is, to take for a basis the present in perfect Index to the Catalogue of 1835, and going over each title again

in that Catalogue,

I. To examine whether the author's name (if any) is already indexed and, if not, to index it on a slip of paper, adding a short title of blook and the page of the Catalogue on which it is to be found.

II. To index the translators' and annotators' names.

III. To take the most important word or words of the title, and inde it by them, as well as, in some cases, by some other word more likely t be referred to as the subject,

It will sometimes happen, therefore, that, on this plan, a book will be indexed five or six times, or even more: e. g., "6,411, O. The Spy Unmasked; or, Memoirs of Enoch Crosby, alias Harvey Birch, comprising many interesting anecdotes never before published. By H. L. Barnun New York, 1828."

This work (like all biography, poetry, and sermons) is not at preser indexed at all. By the plan proposed it will be found under either of the following references:—

						PAGE
Barnum, H. L. Spy Un	nmas	ked	,			924
Spy Unmasked, .						924
Crosby, E., Memoirs of,						924
Birch, H., Memoirs of,						924

Again, take the following title:—

"2,112, D. A History of Three of the Judges of King Charles the First, Major General Whalley, General Goffe, and Colonel Dixwell, what the restoration in 1660, fled to America, and were concealed in Mass chusetts and Connecticut for near thirty years; with an account of M Theophilus Whale, supposed also to have been one of the Judges. I President Stiles. Hartford, 1794."

Here, besides the proper names Stiles, Whalley, Goffe, Dixwell, at Whale, I would index the word *Regicides*, under which, though it do

not occur on the title-page, the book is likely to be looked for.

In a word, my system amounts to a copious multiplication of cro references.

For using the Index, therefore, the following simple rule will be prixed to it. "If the author's, translator's, or annotator's name is know turn to it. If the title only of a book is known, and not the author

time, or if it is anonymous, turn to the most important word, preferring two words equally important that which stands first in the title.

Therwise, turn to the subject.

"Having found a book in this Index, the number in the outer column indicates that page in the Catalogue, to which turn in order to find the title of the work, together with its number and size, which latter in-**Ecates to the Librarian its position on the shelves."**

I flatter myself, that where this plan is carried out, the Library Company of Philadelphia will possess a Catalogue unsurpassed for facility of

**The labor of Indexing the larger Catalogue of 1835 is nearly completed. It remains to consolidate the titles of books added since 1835 nto a third volume, classified on the same plan as vols. 1 and 2, to index this third vol., and finally to arrange the whole Index matter alphabetically to form an Appendix. Volume 3, therefore, and Index, will probably be published about January, 1855.

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGES.

The following communication, from Mons. Vattemare, was laid before the Convention by Mr. C. B. Norton:

Paris, August 22, 1853.

DEAR SIR:—I take this opportunity to send you the accompanying series of tables, submitted some months ago to the Emperor, and pre-. pared by order of his majesty.

The whole of my system is there; its origin and progress, and the

results already obtained up to the year 1853.

But since these tables were presented to the Emperor, the Exchanges have considerably increased. Yet the above statement will give you an idea of what the result will be, the moment the system shall have been universally adopted and established upon a large and permanent basis; above all, when you consider what has been accomplished by so humble

an individual as myself.

What I aim at is, the establishment of a regular and permanent system of exchange between governments, of not only the useless duplicates of their public libraries, but everything emanating from the genius of a nation, so as to form, in the Capitols of the civilized nations, public international libraries that would become a permanent exhibition of the intellectual power of each of them, a lasting World's Fair of the genius of nations. Hence, my constant and humble request has always been, while addressing myself to the government of your noble country, "whenever you shall be in want of a European book, buy an American book;" in Europe I make the same invitation. Let us have a central agency on each Continent, which shall be in connection with each other to negotiate these exchanges; let us have a monthly publication in English, French, and German, which shall publish the proceedings of the agency, and the titles of the books or objects exchanged, or to be exchanged. Would not such a plan powerfully contribute to the differsion of knowledge and international goodwill, and to the realization of the republic of letters, the peaceful confederation of republics, kingdoms and empires? Could a greater assistance be given to the Book

Trade than the adoption of such a plan?

The political events that have transpired since 1847, have brought a temporary prejudice to my system. On my return from America, I found the administration almost entirely renewed. I have had to do with officers entirely unacquainted with my mission, and uninterrupted changes and alterations in the different ministerial departments have rendered my task very difficult and extremely laborious. This is one of the only causes why the results have not been exactly what they promised to be when I left France for my mission to the United States; but a little patience, and things will take their proper course. The moment there shall be the slightest relaxation in the political excitement, attention will be immediately turned towards our system.

You know what Prince Napoleon said in your presence: that twice already he had had about our system a conversation with the Emperor, who told him that he appreciated the system most highly, and was only waiting for a moment of leisure to examine it thoroughly, and de-

vise the means of realizing it.

Meanwhile, the Minister of Public Instruction, on the proposal of hiscolleague, the Minister of Public Works, has addressed a circular letter
to the other members of the Cabinet, inviting them to form a kind of
association to give to the system all the support it deserves. But before
giving an official answer to this proposal, a general investigation is now
taking place in all the departments, the public libraries, museums, &c.,
to ascertain what has already been received, and the results to be anticipated from the system.

The Minister of Public Instruction told me, some time ago, that this system would be of no value to the world, unless it be established upon a large scale; that, heretofore, all I had done, although very conside-

rable, was a mere gleaning.

As for our American collection, you know, likewise, the opinion of Prince Napoleon, who considers it as "a great monument to the genius of a great people, and of its friendly feeling towards France." He thinka, also, that the place now ready to receive it, in the building of the Chamber of Commerce, is not becoming its importance, and he told me, in your presence, that he would himself see the new Prefect, to manage that matter with him to the honor of America and the gratification of the public. The projected arrangement is to give to each State a certain number of alcoves or shelves, in accordance with its intellectual riches and liberality, each one severally distinguished with its coat of arms and date of incorporation.

As for the system, it is gaining ground rapidly in Europe. By a letter dated St. Petersburg, 29th July last, received the same day I had the pleasure of seeing you, His Excellency the Baron de Korff, Counsellor of State, and Director of the Imperial Library of St. Petersburg, acknowledg-

ing the receipt of the Natural History of the State of New York, informs that, after mature consideration, convinced of the important services are system of exchange is likely to render, he sends me the list of a teries of most valuable duplicates of incunabula in the Imperial Library, to be placed at my disposal. The Danish Government has also presented, through its minister here, a list of splendid ancient works. The Imperial communications. I am waiting with the greatest anxiety for the control of the French administration, to be able to begin the publication of our Bulletin of international exchanges, to publish all those lates of most valuable works.

You have seen the fine series of ancient and modern books they were malecting for me at the Imperial Library. The little time you spent in may office was yet sufficient to give you an idea of what may be obtained from our system. You saw all the nations side by side, republicans and imperialists holding each other by the hand to help the realization of our

great and peaceful Republic of Letters.

Let me close this letter by expressing my grateful acknowledgment towards the States and institutions of the Union, that have so readily and so nobly given a helping hand to my efforts, and tell them that, in my conviction, the time is not distant when they will reap the advantages of that generous and persevering support; that the little that has been done to this time is only the earnest of what is yet to come. As for the private individuals who have seconded my labors, the number is too great to mention them here, and they have already found in their conscience and patriotism the reward of their acts.

Yet allow me to mention one of them. I consider it to be my duty to mme particularly, in order to express to him my sincerest gratitude for his constant and unrelaxed attention to our interests. I refer to Mr. E. Iving, of the Sample Office, New York. This gentleman, since my departure from America to the present time, has generously devoted his time, energies, and labors as agent, to receive and transmit the objects exchanged between our two Continents, without receiving the slightest

compensation.

I would feel most happy, dear sir, if the Convention of American Libraians should consider the tables here annexed worthy of their attention, and I will be very thankful to you, if you will be kind enough to commuticate to me their opinion. Have the kindness to say to these learned centlemen, how happy I would have been to have found myself among so namy distinguished savants, many of whom have shown themselves so emevolent to me, and in a country whose generous and fraternal hospiality I shall never forget.

Remain assured, dear sir, of the sentiments of esteem and friendship of your devoted friend,

ALEXANDRE VATEMARE.

Mr. C. B. NORTON.

List of Establishments which have Participated in the Benefits of the Sys of Exchanges.

Grand Duchy of Baden. University of Heidelberg.

Belgium.

All the Ministerial Departments. King's Library.

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Royal Academy of Science.

City of Brussels. Antwerp.

" Liege.

Geographical establishment of Brussels.

The Netherlands.

All the Ministerial Departments. King's Library.

Royal

Library of the General States. University of Leyden.

Chamber of Commerce of Rotterdam.

Chamber of Commerce of Amsterdam.

France.

All the Ministerial Departments. Chamber of Peers (Senate).

" of Deputies (Legislative

Body). Post-office.

Court of Cassation.

Accounts.

Imperial Academy of Science. Moral and Po-

litical Sciences.

Imperial Academy of Medicine. Imperial Museum of Natural Hist. School of Mines.

of Ponts et Chausses. Normal School.

Geographical Society.

Asiatic Society. Agricultural Society.

Horticultural

Geological

Society of Encouragement.

Imperial Library.

Library of the Louvre. Sarbonne.

Private Library of the Emperor. Imperial Printing House.

City of Paris.

Bordeaux. " Marseilles.

" Metz.

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Havre.

Rouen.

Russia.

Imperial Academy.

Library. "

Botanical Garden.

Wurtemberg. University of Tubingen.

United States of America.

All the Departments of the Fed Government.

The Presidential Residence.

Library of Congress. Patent Office.

Office of Topographical Engine U.S. Military Academy, West Po U. S. Naval Academy, Annapoli National Observatory, Washing

Supreme Court of the U. S.

National Institute.

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Chronological Table of Official Acts, Documents, &c., by which several Governments have accepted the principle or regulated the application of the system

of Exchange, from 1832 to 1853. Letter from M. Lichsenthaler, Director of the Royal January 22, 1832. Library of Munich. Letter from Count Maurice Diedrichstein, Director December 6, 1833. of the Imperial Museum and Library of Vienna. January 27, 1834. Letter from Count Charles de Bruhl, superintendent general of the Museum at Berlin, in the name of the King. Letter from M. Hahn, in the name of the King of January 27, 1834. Denmark.Letter from Mr. Alexander Mordwinoff, for General 1, 1886. August Count de Benkendorff, in the name of the Emperor of Russia,

March	6, 1836.	My first petition is reported, approved and referred to the Minister of Public Instruction by the
March	26, 1836.	Chamber of Deputies. Same reception by the Chamber of Peers, who refer it to the Ministers of the Interior and Public Instruction.
Decembe	or 5, 1837.	Letter from Mr. Glover, librarian to the Queen of England, in the name of her majesty.
May	5, 1838.	The British Parliament receives favorably my pet- tion; the British Museum authorized to open in- tercourse of exchanges with foreign establish- ments.
February	2, 1839.	My second petition reported, approved and referred, by the two <i>French Chambers</i> , to the Minister of Public Instruction and the President of the Council of Ministers.
February	7 17, 18 1 0.	Deliberation of the Royal Patriotic Society of Havana adopting the system of exchange.
March	26, 1840.	Vote of \$3,000, for international exchanges, by the Senute of Louisiana.
May	7, 1840.	Senute of New York approves the system of exchange.
July	17, 1840.	Bill of <i>Congress</i> , authorizing the exchanges of 50 extra copies of every document printed by Congress, to be printed and bound for that purpose.
February	6, 1841.	Sanction of the Governor General of Canada.
March	14, 1841.	Bill of the Legislature of the State of Maine, 50 extra copies of documents are to be printed and bound for international exchanges.
April	9, 1842.	My third petition is reported, approved and referred, by the <i>Chamber of Deputies</i> , to the Ministers of Foreign Affairs, Interior and Public Instruction.
April	29, 1842.	Same reception by the Chamber of Peers, as above, and referred to the same ministers.
Decembe	er 21, 1842. 1847.	Deliberation of the Municipal Council of Paris. Appropriation of 3,000 fr., for international exchanges, voted to the Department of Public Instruction.
	1847.	Appropriation of a similar sum to the committee on the library of the Chamber of Deputies.
June	26, 1848.	Bill of Congress.
June	30, 1848.	Another bill of <i>Congress</i> of the United States, sanctioning the bill of 1840, and granting an appropriation to help on the system.
July	25, 1848.	Resolutions of the Committee on the Library of Congress, in relation to the same.
April	1850.	Presentation of several objects of exchanges to the Chambers of Chili, through A. Vattemare's agency.

April	1852.	Decision from the <i>Minister of the Interior of the Netherlands</i> , appointing A. Vattemare agent of the kingdom.
May July	1852.	Decision of the Minister of Finance of Belgium.
July	29 , 1858.	Letter from his Excellency, Baron de Korff, mem-
•	,	ber of the Imperial Privy Council, Director of the Public Library of St. Petersburg.
July	15, 1853.	

Seventeen States of the Union have adopted similar Laws to that of Congress, viz.:

Maine, Maryland,	March,	1842.	Pennsylvania, Virginia,	September	,1848.
Indiana,		1844-48.	S. Carolina,		
Michigan, Massachusett			N. Hampshire N. Carolina,	January,	1849. 1849.
Rhode Island			Delaware,		1849.
New York,			Connecticut,	May,	1849.
Vermont,	Nov.,	1847.	Florida,	October,	1850,
New Jersey,	January,	18 4 8.	ı and	January,	1853.

Table of the Operation of the System of Exchanges, from 1847 to 1851, inclusive.

RECEIVED BY	BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS.	1	ENGRAV- INGS.	MEDALS & COINS.
The United States of America,	30,655	1,607	807	1,288
France,	25,092	1,318	220	565
Foreign Governments,	5,264	711		30
Total amounts,	61,011	3,636	1,027	1,883

To the above must be added, as received and distributed:

From France, the collection of weights and measures of France, 173

prepared birds, several cases of minerals, fossils and seeds.

From the United States, the collection of weights and measures of the U.S.; six models of vessels and three of dry docks; samples of the manufactures of Lowell, living animals, prepared birds, minerals, specimens of woods, seeds, the plaster cast of the head of a mastodon, fossils, a large specimen of oxydulated iron from the iron mountains of Missouri.

PERMANENT ORGANIZATION.

The following resolutions were presented by Mr. Guild, and unanimously adopted:—

Resolved, That this Convention be regarded as preliminary to the formation of a permanent Librarians' Association.

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to draft a Constitution and By-Laws for such an Association, and present them at the next meeting of the Convention.

Resolved, That when this Convention adjourn, it adjourn to meet Washington City at such a time as the said Committee of five may appoint

Resolved, That this Committee be requested, with reference to this so journed meeting, to suggest topics for written communications or free discussion, and also to make such other arrangements as shall, in their judgment, be best adapted to meet the wants of the public, in regard to the whole subject of Libraries and library economy.

In accordance with these resolutions, the following gentlemen were appointed on the Committee for Permanent Organization:—Prof. C. C. Jewett, of Washington; Mr. Chas. Folsom, of Boston; S. Hastings Grant, of New York; Elijah Hayward, of Ohio, and R. A. Guild, of Providence.

At the close of these deliberations the Convention adjourned, to meet in Washington, upon the call of the above Committee.

Library Statistics.

The following statistics, in regard to the present condition of the libral specified, have been received from reliable sources. Historical notices cost of these institutions will be found in Prof. Jewett's Smithsonian art on American Libraries, and extended accounts of several the more important are given in the carlier volumes of this REGISTER. There are statement, concerning the libraries of New York, Boston, delphia, Providence, Albany and St. Louis, will be found between 17 and 49.

The publisher desires that annual reports, catalogues, and any furinformation pertaining to the libraries of this country may be aptly forwarded to him. Statistics intended for the next REGISTER, ald be received by him before November 1, 1854.

MAINE.

Augusta.—Maine State (free), 1839. 15,000 vols. 200 vols. added in cost \$375. Open from 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Catalogue 120 pp. 8vo., Librarian, John G. Sawyer, Sec'y of State.

Bangor.—Theological Seminary, 1820. 9,000 vols. 250 vols. added 1852, cost \$280. Open every afternoon. Librarian, Thomas L. Ellis. Brunswick.—Bowdoin College, 1802. (Terms to Students, \$1 50.) 574 vols. Fund, \$200 per annum. 358 vols. added in 1852, cost 487. Open three days in the week, from 12 A. M. to 1 P. M. Catabe, 120 pp. 8vo., 1821. Librarian, Charles Carroll Everett.

Peucinian Society, 1805. 5,978 vols. Expends \$180 per annum. culation, 3,000 vols.

Athenæum Society, 1808. 4,600 vols. 150 vols. added in 1852, cost 0. Circulation, 2,500 vols.

Medical School, 1820. 3,250 vols. Librarian, Prof. Parker Cleave-

Portland.—Athenseum (terms \$5 per annum), 1826. 7,850 vols. ad, \$6,000. 261 vols. added in 1852, cost \$450. Open Tuesdays and turdays from 2 till 5 P. M. Classified catalogue, 1849. Librarian, as Merrill.

Waterville.—Waterville College, 1820. 5,000 vols. Fund, \$4,000. vols. added in 1852, cost \$300. Open Tuesday and Friday morns. Catalogue, 1845. Librarian, Samuel K. Smith.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Dublin.—Union (terms, \$2 25 per annum), 1793 and 1836. Wols. 8 vols. added in 1852, cost \$7 50. Circulation, 250 vols. Operary day. Librarian, Levi W. Leonard.

Juvenile (free), 1822. 1,960 vols. 38 vols. added in 1852, cs \$16 76. Open every day. Circulation, 1,040 vols. Librarian, L. LEONARD.

Exeter.—Public (free), 1853. 500 vols. Open every Wednesd afternoon and Saturday evening. Catalogue, alphabetically prints Librarian, Dr. Franklin Lane.

Gilmanton.—Theological Seminary (reference), 1835. 4,000 vols. vols. added in 1852. Open Wednesday from 3 to 4 P. M. Catalogi 1839. Librarian, R. M. Sargeant.

Academy Social (terms, \$1 per annum), 1815. 200 vols. Libraria C. S. Farrar.

Great Fulls.—Manufacturers' and Village (terms, \$1 per annual 1850. 2,824 vols. 204 vols. added in 1852, cost \$200. Circulated about 15,000 vols. Open Saturday evenings. Librarian, Henry Hayes; four Assistants.

Hanorer.—Dartmouth College, 1769. 11,200 vols. 200 vols. add in 1852, 2,300 in 1853. Open once a week. Catalogue, alphabetic 1824. Librarian, Oliver Payson Hubbard; one Assistant.

Northern Academy (reference), 1843. 1,300 vols. Librarian, Pri Edwin D. Sanborn.

Northfield.—N. H. Conference Seminary, 1844. 600 vols. 150 voladded in 1852, cost \$125.

Portsmouth.—St. John's Church Parish (free), 1773. 700 vols. Optonce in two weeks. Librarian, Geo. M. Marsh.

South Parish (free), 1820. 800 vols. Fund, \$200. 15 vols. addecost \$25. Circulation, 500 vols. Open Wednesday afternoons. Callogue, 1845. Librarian, ELIZABETH C. HAVEN.

Peterborough.—Public (free). Librarian, S. GATES.

Wakefield.—Wakefield and Brookfield Union (terms, 25 cents pannum), 1797. 550 vols. Open at all times. Librarian, Wm. Sawu Jun.

VERMONT.

Burlington.—University of Vermont, 1800. 10,000 vols. Fund \$1,500. 150 vols. added in 1852, cost \$250. Open Wednesday and Saturday afternoons. Catalogue, by subjects, 1836; Alphabetical Supplement, 1842. Librarian, N. George Clark.

Phi Sigma Nu Society, 1808. 1,825 vols. 35 vols. added in 185: cost \$40. Open Tuesday and Friday from 1 to 2 P. M. Catalogue,

phabetical and by subjects, 1846. Librarian, Austin Hazen, Jr.

Society for Religious Inquiry, 1816. 500 vols. 40 vols. added in 1852. Open Wednesday from 1 to 2 P. M. Librarian, Lucius Swett.

University Institute Society, 1834. 1,562 vols. 20 vols. added in 1852. Open Mondays and Thursdays from 1 to 2 P. M. Catalogue, alhabetical and by subjects, 1851. Librarian, Samuel R. Henry.

Montpelier.—Vermont State (free), 1836. 6,180 vols. 303 vols. added n 1852-3, cost \$388. Open during session of Legislature. Catalogue, namphlet, 1850. Librarian, George Nichols; one Assistant.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Amherst.—Amherst College, 1821. 10,200 vols. Fund, \$120. 3,209 ols. added in 1852, cost \$1,620. Catalogue, 38 pp. 12mo., 1827. Lirarian, Lucius Manlius Boltwood.

Alexandrian Society, 1821. 3,700 vols. 150 vols. added in 1852, ost \$184. Circulated in 1852, 2,800 vols. Open daily, in term-time, rom 1 to 2 P. M. Catalogue, 8vo., 1835. Librarian, Chester Daniels Efferds.

Andorer.—Theological Seminary (terms, \$3 per annum), 1808. 8,150 vols. Over \$700 expended annually. Catalogue, pp. 531, 8vo., 838; Supplement, pp. 66, 8vo., 1849. Librarian, S. H. Taylor.

Cambridge.—Harvard College (Public, Theological, Medical, and Law). Public (free), 1764, 62,200 vols.; Theological, 3,500 vols.; Medcal, 1,600 vols.; Law, 14,000 vols.; Society Libraries, 12,000 vols., 189 vols. added to the Public in 1852, cost \$950. It is open, in termine, Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, from 9 A. M. to 1 P. M. and from 2 to 4 P. M.; Fridays, from 9 A. M. to 1 P. M. Catalogue, 2 vols. 3vo., alphabetical, and 1 vol. Systematic Index, in 1830; 1 vol. 8vo. of Maps, 1831; 1 vol. Supplement, alphabetical, 1834. Librarian of Public Library, Thadders William Harris; Assistant, John L. Sibley.

Lacronce.—Franklin Association (terms, \$5 per share and \$1 per anaum assessment), 1847. 2,000 vols. 150 vols. added in 1852, cost \$250. Open Saturdays from 2 to 9 P. M. Catalogue, alphabetical, 1848. Librarian, Wm. H. Gallison.

Lovell.—Middlesex Mechanics' Association (terms, \$6 per annum), 1825. 5,600 vols. 500 vols. added in 1852, cost \$417. Open from 9 A. M. to 9 P. M. Catalogue, alphabetical and classified, 1853. Libraian, Joel Powers.

City School (terms, 50 cents per annum), 1844. 9,500 vols. 400 rols. added in 1852, cost \$350. Circulation, 1,600 vols. Open from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 P. M. Catalogue, 154 pp. 12mo., 1853. Librarian, Johan Hubbard.

Nantucket.—Athenæum (terms, \$3 per annum), 1815, destroyed by fire 1847. 2,940 vols. 79 vols. added in 1852, cost \$10. Circulation in 1852, 5,000 vols. Open from 1 to 5 P. M. Librarian, Miss MARIA MITCHELL.

New Bedford.—Public Library (free), 1852. 7,500 vols. 2,500 vols. added in 1852, cost \$2,062. Circulation, 25,000 vols. Open from 8 A. M. to 7 P. M., with three hours intermission. Librarian, ROBERT INGRAHAM.

Newton Centre.—Theological Institution (free to students and professors), 1825. 9,000 vols. 1,200 vols. added in 1852, cost \$1,600. Open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, from 8 A. M. to 4 P. M. Catalogue, 32 pp. 12mo., 1833. Librarian, ALVAH HOVEY; one Assistant.

Rorbury.—Athenæum (shares \$25, and \$2 assessments, subscription \$4 per annum). 6,500 vols. 323 vols. added in 1852, cost \$112. Circulation in 1852, 5,760 vols. Open from 8 to 11 A. M. and 3 to 6 P. M.; Summer, from 9 to 11 A. M. and 3 P. M. till dark; Winter, on Wednesdays from 7 to 9 P. M. Catalogue, alphabetical, 115 pp. 16mo. Librarian, Rev. Benjamin Kent.

Salem.—Athenæum (terms, \$5, to proprietors, per annum), 1790. 12,400 vols. 431 vols. added in 1852, cost \$1,290. Circulation in 1852, 1,800 vols. Open for reference all day, for circulation from 12 to 1 P. M. Catalogue, systematic, 1842. Librarian, Henry J. Cross.

East India Marine Society (reference), 1799. 300 vols. Open from 10 A. M. to 1 P. M. and 3 to 5 P. M., and accessible to members at all times. Librarian, George D. Phippin.

Charitable Mechanics' Association (terms, \$1 50 per annum), 1817. 2,900 vols. 90 vols. added in 1852, cost \$100. Circulation in 1852, 7,000 vols. Open from 6 to 8 P. M., Saturdays. Catalogue, pamphlet, 1851. Librarian, T. M. Dix.

Essex Institute, 1848. 8,000 vols. Fund, \$2,000. 707 vols. added in 1852, cost \$135. Circulation in 1852, 500 vols. Open every day. Librarian, Nathan A. Stickney.

Williamstown.—Williams College (terms, \$1 20 per annum to students), 1790. 7,200 vols. Open from 1 to 2 P. M., Wednesdays and Saturdays. Librarian, Prof. John Tatlock.

Worcester.—American Antiquarian Society (reference), 1812. 22,000 vols. Fund, \$27,000. 724 vols. added in 1852, cost \$100. Open from 9 to 12 A. M. and 2 to 5 P. M. Catalogue, alphabetical, 563 pp. 8vo., 1836. Librarian, S. F. HAVEN.

Mechanics' (terms, \$1 per annum), 1843. 1,200 vols. Fund, \$400. 200 vols. added in 1852, cost \$100. Open Saturdays from 1 to 9 P. M. Librarian, EDWARD SARGENT.

Young Men's Association (terms, \$1 per annum), 1853. 2,500 vols. Open two evenings in the week. Catalogue, pamphlet, 12mo., 1853. Librarian, John Gray, Esq.

RHODE ISLAND.

Newport.—Redwood Library and Athenseum (terms, \$2 per annum), 1747. 6,560 vols. 175 vols. added in 1852, cost \$161. Circulation in 1852, 4,000 vols. Catalogue, 1836. Librarian, Augustus Bush.

CONNECTICUT.

East Windsor.—Theological Institute, 1833. 5,900 vols. Fund, \$1,000. 150 vols. added in 1852, cost \$200. Open Wednesdays and Saturdays, from 1 to 2 P. M. Librarian, WILLIAM THOMPSON.

Hartford.—Trinity College (terms, \$1 per session to students), 1824, with Societies. 15,000 vols. Librarian, Samuel F. Jarvis.

Connecticut Historical, 1825. 8,000 vols. 250 vols. added in 1852. Open 8 to 11 A. M.; 2 to 6 P. M. Librarian, Thomas Robbins, D. D.

Young Men's Institute (terms, \$3 per annum), 1838. 10,000 vols. 400 vols. added in 1852, cost \$500. Circulation, 24,000 vols. Open from 10 A. M. to 10 P. M. Librarian, HENRY M. BAILEY.

Connecticut State Library. 3,500 vols. Librarian, Secretary of State.

New Haven.—Yale College (free to professors and professional students), 1700. 25,000 vols. Fund, \$21,000. 750 vols. added in 1852, cost \$1,320. Open in term time, 10 A. M. to 1 P. M., and 3 to 5 P. M. Catalogue, pp. 102, 8vo., 1823. Librarian, Edward C. Herrick; Assistant, John Edwards.

Linonian Society (terms, \$2 each session), 1753. 13,000 vols. 600 vols. added in 1852. Circulation, 30,000. Open 1 to 2 P. M., daily. Catalogue, alphabetical, with classified index, 1848. Librarian, Mr. RILEY.

Young Men's Institute (terms, \$4 per annum), 1826. 5,350 vols. 200 vols. added in 1852. Circulation, 15,600. Open 8 to 12 A. M.; 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 P. M. Librarian, Joseph Downs.

Norwich.—Otis (terms, \$1 50 per annum), 1850. 4,000 vols. Fund, \$6,000. 350 vols. added in 1852, cost \$400. Circulation in 1852, 12,000. Open Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, from 2 to 9 P. M. Catalogue, 1858. Librarian, H. B. Buckingham.

NEW YORK.

Brooklyn Navy Yard.—U. S. Naval Lyceum (terms, \$1 per annum), 1833. 3,000 vols. 78 vols. added in 1852, cost \$93. Open from 9 A. M. till sun-down. Librarian, Surgeon Charles F. Gullot.

Brooklyn.—Athenæum (terms, \$3 per annum), 1852. 2,600 vols. All added during the past year. Open from 8 A. M. to 9 P. M. Librarian, Joseph F. Noyes.

Buffalo.—Young Men's Association (terms, \$3 per annum), 1835. 7,000 vols. 918 vols, added in 1852, cost \$800. Circulation, 14,440. Open 8 A. M. to 9 P. M. Catalogue, 1848, with annual supplements. Librarian, William Ives.

Clinton.—Hamilton College (free), 1812. 3,225 vols. 178 vols. added in 1852. Circulation, 524. Open at noon, Tuesdays and Fridays. Catalogue, 1826. Librarian, Prof. Anson J. Urson.

East Hampton.—Library Company (terms, \$50 per share and tax—reference), 1803. 563 vols. 7 vols. added in 1852; cost \$11 25. Open 9 A. M. to 9 P. M. Librarian, SILVANUS JONES.

Fordham.—St. John's College, 1840. 12,000 vols. 200 vols. added in 1852, cost \$180. Open continually to members of association. Librarian, Rev. Thomas Le Goulis.

Geneva.—Hobart Free College (free), 1825. 2,500 vols. Open Wednesday and Saturday. Librarian, H. G. Woods.

Hermean Society (terms, 75 cents a year), 1845. 3,750 vols. 100 added in 1852. Open Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 1 to 2. P. M.; Saturdays, from 1 to 3 P. M. Librarian, T. HART STRONG.

Humilton.—Madison University (free to students for reference), 1820. 7,000 vols. 276 vols. added in 1852, cost \$648 50. Open 1 to 3 P. M. Librarian, P. B. Spear.

Newburgh.—Theological Seminary, 1804. 4,500 vols., mainly theological. 100 vols. added in 1852. Open for reference daily. Catalogue, alphabetical, 1848. Librarian, John Forsyth, Jr.

Poughkeepsie.—Public School (free). 3,850 vols. Fund, \$400. 150 vols. added in 1852, cost \$400. Circulation in 1852, 22,030 vols. Open from 1 to 8 P. M., every day. Catalogue, alphabetical, 104 pp. 8vo., 1851. Librarian, James Van Kleeck.

Rochester.—Court of Appeals (reference, free to members of the bar), 1829. 5,000 vols. Fund, \$1,000 per annum. Open from 9 A. M. to 9 P. M. Librarian, WILLIAM S. THAYER.

Athenaeum and Mechanics' Association (terms, \$1 per annum), 1830. 7,000 vols. 495 vols. added in 1852, cost \$700. Open 8 A. M. till noon, 2 to 5 and 6 to 9 P. M., Mondays excepted. Catalogue, arranged according to subjects, 1851. Librarian, WILLIAM POWELL.

Schenectady.—Young Men's Association (terms, \$2 per annum), 1837. 3,800 vols. Circulation in 1852, 1800. Open from 8 to 12 A. M., from 1 to 5 and 6 to 9 P. M. Catalogue in press. Librarian, James Gilbert.

Union College (terms, \$3 per annum to students), 1795. 8,500 vols. 159 vols. added in 1852, cost \$325. Circulation, 1,000 vols. Open an hour Mondays and Tuesdays. Catalogue, alphabetical, 1846. Librarian, Jonathan Pearson.

Philomathean and Adelphian Societies (terms, \$3 per annum), 1795 and '96. 3,500 vols. each. Open an hour each week. Catalogues, by subjects, 1849. Librarians, (Phil.) A. W. Steele; (Adel.) Wm. Tree.

Troy.—Lyceum of Natural History (free to members only), 1818. 500 vols. 50 vols. added in 1852. Open Tuesday evenings. Librarian, W. T. WILLARD.

Young Men's Association (terms, \$3 and \$2 per annum), 1834. 8,000 vols. 750 vols added in 1852 (for 1853 will be added 2,500 vols.). Circulation, 30,000. Open from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M., and 7 to 9 P. M. Catalogue, 1850, and Supplement in 1853. Librarian, HENRY P. FILER.

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Utica.—Young Men's Association, 1852. 25 vols., all received th year (1858). Open durin gbusiness hours. Librarian, Isaac Tripp, J

West Point.—U. S. Military Academy (special, and free to office and students of the Institution), 1812. 16,000 vols. 500 vols. added i 1852, cost \$1,000. Circulated in 1852, 12,000 vols. Open during mil tary day. Catalogue, 1853, classified and with alphabetical order. I brarian, Capt. Henry Coppee.

NEW JERSEY.

Burlington.—Burlington College (reference), 1844. 1,300 vols. § vols. added in 1852. Open at any time. Librarian, A. Frost.

Newark.—N. J. Historical Society (reference, terms, \$2 per annum 1845. 1,750 vols. 240 vols. added in 1852, cost \$150. Librarial SAMUEL H. CONGAR.

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Educational Register.

With this number of the Literary Register we commence a new department, in which, from year to year, we propose to publish interesting and valuable intelligence respecting schools and school-systems, and the educational movement generally, in different countries. We hoped to have begun with a series of tables, exhibiting the number and condition of schools and colleges in the several United States, compiled from the returns of the census of 1850; but as this document is not yet published, we shall avail ourselves of the politeness of Mr. Barnard, to gather from a volume* of his, now in press, some interesting statistics of education in Europe.

ENGLAND AND WALES.

England is well supplied with the means of academic and collegiate education. The ancient endowments of grammar schools, colleges, and universities exceed in amount those of any other country. The annual income of charitable trusts designed for grammar schools alone exceeds \$800,000, and for schools not classical and elementary, over \$1,000,000; and, if properly managed, it is calculated by Mr. McCulloch, that these trusts would yield over \$4,000,000. But these endowments educate to a very limited extent the mass of the poor in England, for whose special benefit they were left by their charitable and religious founders. The only effectual education provided for the poor and laboring classes has been given through schools supported by religious bodies and voluntary societies, established since 1800, and only aided effectually since 1846 by governmental grants and inspection.

^{*} Public Education in Europe. By Henry Barnard, LL. D. New York, Charles B. Norton. 650 pages.

This volume will be issued early in January, 1854, and will contain the most complete survey which has been published in the English language, or in any one volume in any language, of the organization and condition of primary schools in every country in Europe, together with a particular description of the several of the best industrial and reform schools, intended for idle, vagrant and criminal children; of institutions for imparting a practical knowledge of science as applied to agriculture and the mechanic arts, and of seminaries and agencies for the professional training and improvement of teachers.

Denomination of Schools.

Church of England Schools....

The following are the most recent statistics of elementary education in England, gathered from Lord John Russell's Speech, in 1853:—

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Number of Schools Number of Pupils, Total Income.

British and Foreign do	1,500 897 89 5%5 270	225,100 225,100 83,623 6,839 84,750 20,000	161,250 27,347 4,901 16 000 20,000
Totals	19.856	1.281,077	£1.046 579
Public day schools,	 books,	Male	, , ,
Attending at the schools on 31st M	arch, 1851,	Male	l, 1,407,569 es, 635,107 es, 480,130
Private day schools, 31st March, 1	851,		. 29,425
Number on the school books, .		Male	es, 347,694
Attending on March 31st, 1851	, .	Female Male Female	es, 317,390

Proportion of scholars on the books to the (1 scholar in $8\frac{1}{2}$ persons) population, 11.76 per cent.

Number of scholars in attendance to school on books, $83\frac{1}{5}$ per cent.

SCOTLAND.

Public schools existed in Scotland for many centuries before the organization of the present system of Parochial Schools, by the Acts of 1615, 1638 and 1696. The growth of the population has for more than a half century made the parochial system entirely inadequate to meet the educational wants of the country. Out of 4,371 schools in operation in 1850, only 1,049 belonged to the parochial system; of the remainder, 823 were supported in part by the Church of Scotland; 704 by the Free Church; 50 by the Scotch Episcopal; 63 by Roman Catholics; and 1,684 were adventure schools, supported entirely by tuition. In all these schools there were about 225,000 scholars, leaving a large number of children (not less than 125,000), of the proper school age, still to be provided for. The parochial schools of Scotland are supported partly by a charge on the property of the parishes, and partly by tuition paid by parents.

IRELAND.

Prior to 1650, Ireland abounded with schools connected with religious houses or the parish church. From the time of Henry VIII., to 1831, the legislation of England, in regard to Irish schools, was mainly directed to convert Irishmen into Englishmen, and Catholics into Protestants. It was even made an offense, punishable by transportation, to act as a schoolmaster, or for Catholic parents to educate their children abroad. In 1831, a Board of Commissioners of National Education for Ireland was organized, and an annual grant (in the year 1848, amounting to over £125,000;) was made to support public schools free of anydenominational bias. This Board has aided in the erection and fitting up of over 3,000 school-houses, and now supports over 4,000 elementary schools with over 500,000 pupils, besides 1 normal school, 1 model farm school, 21 district farm schools; 16 industrial schools; 18 workhouse schools, and a large number of evening classes.

FRANCE.

The system of public instruction in France embraces:-

- 1. Primary schools of two grades, elementary and superior; of the first there are 37,000, and of the last 290, with 2,780,370 pupils. In all the primary schools, public and private, there are 3,164,297 pupils.
- 2. Supplementary classes or schools, for children and adults who cannot attend the primary schools. This grade of institutions embraces 1,489 infant schools, with 96,192 pupils; and 6,630 classes for adults, with 102,230 pupils.
- 3. Secondary schools; embracing 57 lycea or classical high schools, with 20,372 pupils; 312 communal colleges and 46 royal colleges, with an aggregate of 44,000 pupils; besides some 30,000 pupils in private establishments of the same grade.
- 4. Superior schools; or schools of law, medicine, theology, science, literature and the arts. There are six faculties of Catholic theology, and two of Protestant theology, with about 6,000 students.

There are nine faculties of law, at Aix, Caen, Dijon, Grenoble, Paris, Poitiers, Rennes, Strasbourg and Toulouse, with about 3,000 students.

There are three faculties of medicine, at Paris, Grenoble and Montpelier, with seventeen secondary schools of medicine. The faculty of medicine in Paris includes about 30 professors and 4,000 students.

There are eight faculties of science and six faculties of letters; five special schools.

- a. Normal Schools for training Teachers and Professors. One superior normal school at Paris, for educating professors for colleges and lycea; 98 primary normal schools, including the Institutes of the Christian Brothers, and seminaries for female teachers, connected with religious communities; one normal military school at Paris; one normal class for teachers and conductors of reform schools at Mettray.
- b. Schools of Engineers, Military, Civil, and Naval. This is provided for in the Polytechnic School and the School of Roads and Bridges, and the School of Mines, at Paris.
- c. Schools of Arts and Manufactures. 1. The central school, and the Conservatory of the Arts at Paris; 2. The schools at Chalons, Angers and Aix, together with a large number of provincial and town schools and classes, for special instruction in drawing, pattern and model making, &c.
- d. Schools of Agriculture, Horticulture, &c. These are, 44 model farm schools; one central institute at Versailles; four veterinary schools, and one school of horticulture.
- e. Military Schools. These are six; 1. Military Gymnasium at Paris.
 2. Special Military School at St. Cyr. 3. College at La Fleche. 4. School for Artillery at Metz. 5. School for Staff-officers at Paris. 6. School for Cavalry at Saumur.
- f. Naval Schools. Besides the two large schools at Brest and L'Orient, there are forty naval schools in the different sea-ports.
- g. School of the Fine Arts. Aid is given to the Academy of Painting at Rome and Paris; to the Conservatory of Music; to Schools of Design at Paris and in the Provinces.
- h. Institutions for the Blind, Deaf Mutes, and Idiots. France was the earliest to establish public institutions for each of these unfortunate classes, and still makes annual appropriations in their behalf.
- i. Agricultural Orphan Homes and Reform Schools. There are 10 reform farm schools, and 19 homes for orphans, with a farm and a garden attached, supported or aided by the government.

Besides these institutions, there are a large number of societies, and libraries, devoted to the advancement of a particular science or branch of knowledge, in aid of which the government makes annual appropriations.

BELGIUM.

There is now a very complete system of public instruction in successful operation in Belgium, organized in 1842 and modified in 1850. It embraces—1. Primary schools of two grades: 2. Secondary schools of

two grades: 3. Superior schools or universities: 4. Special schools of every kind: 5. Societies for the advancement of science, the arts, and literature. All the schools are subjected to a constant and intelligent supervision, and their condition reported on to the public fully and frequently. There is one normal school to train professors for colleges and secondary schools, and two to train teachers for primary schools, besides a normal course in the best primary school of a superior grade in each province, and a meeting of all the teachers of a given district every three months for discussion. Much attention is given to practical and scientific education in all the industrial occupations of Belgium, and there are schools of commerce, engineering, agriculture, and the mechanic arts, in successful operation. No country in Europe is making more rapid educational progress.

HOLLAND.

The primary school system of Holland was first organized in 1806. The kingdom is divided into districts, for each of which there is a school inspector, who visits schools, examines and promotes teachers, and gives life to the whole system. There were 3,214 primary schools in 1846, with 382,370 pupils, to which there were 80 inspectors, paid by the government. The schools are partly supported by the communes or parishes, and partly by the parents.

PRUSSIA.

The educational system of Prussia embraces—1. Primary schools of two grades, elementary and superior, with a high school in the large towns: 2. Secondary schools of two kinds, gymnasia for classical training, and real schools for the business of life: 3. Universities, with the most complete range of higher instruction in law, medicine, theology, science, and philosophy: 4. Special schools, for the deaf and dumb, blind, idiots, and for engineers, farmers, artisans, and artists. In 1846 there were 24,080 elementary schools, with 29,663 male teachers and 1,876 female, all of whom had been trained in normal schools, of which there are forty-six, including two for female teachers. To these should be added 1,436 superior primary schools, with 91,818 scholars and 2,729 teachers, and 100 town high schools and 762 teachers and 15,624 students.

SAXONY.

With a population of 1,809,028 in 1846, there was one university with 85 professors and 835 students; six academies of the Arts and Min-

ing, with 43 professors and teachers, and 1,400 pupils; eleven gymnasia, with 131 teachers and 1,590 pupils; six higher burgher and real schools, with 18 teachers and 270 pupils; three special institutions for commerce and military affairs, with 43 teachers and 240 pupils; nine teachers' seminaries, with 41 teachers and 362 pupils; seventeen higher schools of industry or technical schools, with 72 teachers and 779 pupils; sixtynine lower or technical schools, with — teachers and 6,966 pupils; twenty-four schools for lace making, with 87 teachers and 1,928 pupils; and 2,155 common schools, with 2,175 teachers and 278,022 pupils; besides one institution for the blind; one for deaf mutes; three orphan asylums, and a number of infant schools and private seminaries.

WIRTEMBERG.

Wirtemberg was one of the earliest of the German States to establish a graduated system of public instruction, from the common school to the university, and has always shared largely in all the educational movements of Germany. The framework of the school system in operation in 1848 was substantially the same as it was in 1538, enlarged from time to time, to meet the demands of the age for new institutions and a more liberal and practical instruction. With a population of 1,750,000 there were the following institutions, aided by the government, in 1847:

One University at Tübingen, with six faculties, seventy-one professors and 800 students.

Nine Real Schools, with seventy teachers.

Six Gymnasia, each with ten professors and three assistants, (that at Stuttgart has twenty-six professors).

Five Lycea, each with seven teachers.

Eighty-seven Latin Schools, in which eighty-six classical teachers, sixty-six real teachers, and forty-four assistants are employed.

One Protestant Theological Seminary at Tübingen, with fifteen teachers and four preparatory theological schools in other parts, each having six teachers and thirty pupils.

One Catholic Theological Seminary.

One Polytechnic School, with twenty-one teachers and a course of instruction embracing four years, for engineers, architects, &c.

One Institute for Agriculture and Forestry at Hohenheim, the most complete agricultural establishment in Europe, and five smaller schools.

One Veterinary School, with five professors.

Two Orphan Houses, each having 278 orphans.

Nine Farm Schools for vagrant and criminal children.

Seven Schools of Art and Drawing.

One Superior Seminary for Protestant girls, at Obenstenfeld, with eleven teachers.

One Superior Seminary for Catholic girls, at Stuttgart, with thirteen male teachers and thirteen female teachers.

One Institute for Deaf Mutes and the Blind.

One thousand four hundred and fifty-five Protestant Common Schools. Seven hundred and eighty-seven Catholic Schools.

Six Teachers' Seminaries.

These institutions, providing on a liberal scale for the educational wants of the whole community, are all in some way aided by the government, and subject to its supervision through the Home Department.

GRAND DUCHY OF BADEN.

The Grand Duchy is one of the most advanced constitutional States of Germany, and one the best provided with educational institutions. With a population in 1844 of 400,000, there were—

Two Universities—one at Heidelberg, with 710 students.

at Freiburg, " 485 "

Four Lyceums, or High Schools—a grade below the University.

Six Gymnasiums—devoted mainly to high classical instruction.

 ${\bf Six}\,\,{\bf Pedagogiums,}\,\,{\bf or}\,\,{\bf Schools}\,\,{\bf preparatory}\,\,{\bf to}\,\,{\bf the}\,\,{\bf Lycea.}$

Fourteen Latin Schools-preparatory to the Gymnasium.

Eight Seminaries for young ladies.

Four Normal Schools—one at Carlsruhe, for Protestant teachers.

Catholic

One Institution for deaf mutes.

One Veterinary School.

One Polytechnic School, with 200 pupils.

One Trade School.

One Military Academy.

Two thousand one hundred and twenty-one Common Schools, each with different grades or classes.

BAVARIA.

Bavaria has 3 universities, 9 lyceums or colleges, 24 gymnasiums, 70 Latin schools, 3 polytechnic schools, 32 mechanic or industrial schools, 9 normal schools, and 6,065 common or primary schools.

AUSTRIA.

Austria has not received due credit for its gigantic efforts to establish a free and extensive system of education. In 1842 there were 20,293 primary day schools, besides 11,140 evening classes for adults and apprentices, employing in all 41,809 teachers, and having a school attendance of over 2,500,000 pupils. Besides these schools there were 8 universities, with 353 professors and 13,871 students, 12 lycea, 49 theological schools, 53 philosophical colleges, 188 gymnasia or higher classical schools, 126 special schools, and 1,252 private schools.

RUSSIA.

The Public Schools of Russia may be classified as follows:-

- 1. Schools and institutions subject to the supervision of the Minister of Public Instruction. These embrace, a—Primary Schools, supported by the parishes, of which there are no returns as to their numbers, or the attendance. b—Town High Schools, of which there are over 2,000 with 112,000 pupils. c—Gymnasia, or classical schools, 77, in all numbering about 3,000 pupils, mostly sons of the nobility. d—Boarding Schools sanctioned by the government. e—6 Universities and 3 Lycca, with professors and teachers, and 3,521 students.
- 2. Military Schools. a—27 colleges subject to the direct management of the Emperor, or to his delegate, the Grand Duke, heir-apparent, with 865 professors, 9,504 students. b—Ten Naval Schools, 3,920 students and 337 teachers under the direction of the Admiralty. c—Elementary Military Schools for children of soldiers in service, or whose fathers have been killed in war, under the management of the Minister of War.
- 3. Preparatory Schools for the civil service of the Empire. a—85 schools of commerce with 461 teachers and 9,779 pupils, belonging to the Minister of Finance. b—2 schools of civil engineering, with 85 professors and 516 students. c—3 schools with 93 professors and 591 students under the charge of the Postmaster. d—6 institutions with 96 professors and 993 students under the charge of the Secretary of State. e—2 law-schools with 93 professors and 591 students.
- 4. Theological schools. α —21 theological schools belonging to the Greek Church, with 72 teachers and 1,261 students. b—14 schools to the Armenian Church, with 45 teachers and 728 students. c—2 schools to the Lutheran Church, with 8 teachers and 668 students. d—11

schools to the Mahommedan creed, with 586 students. e-1 Rabbinical school to the Jews. These schools are managed by the Synod of the Greek Church, and the consistories of the other denominations.

5. Agricultural Schools. a—An Agricultural College under the immediate supervision of the Emperor, where 250 peasants are thoroughly instructed for four years, in scientific and practical agriculture, and then sent to model farms on the domains of the crown. b—25 Agricultural schools with 124 teachers and 1,591 students. c—2,696 industrial elementary schools, employing 2,783 teachers for 18,907 pupils.

GREECE.

The public educational institutions of Greece, and their statistics for 1851-2, are as follows:—

University of Athens, 39 professors, 590 students—classed as follows; of philosophy (sciences and belles-lettres), 66; theology, 10; law, 109; medicine, 278; pharmacy, 37. Of the 590, 281 are from the kingdom of Greece, and 309 from other Greek provinces. The annual expense of this institution is \$23,560.

Seven Gymnasia (classical high schools), with 43 professors and 1,077 pupils, of whom 847 are from Independent Greece.

Seventy-nine secondary schools (called Hellenic, because based upon the study of Greek), with 133 professors and 3,872 pupils; 4 private institutions and 3 supported by the communes, with 25 professors and 511 pupils; 1 seminary, with 4 professors and 30 students.

One normal school for training teachers for the communal schools, with 7 professors and 60 students.

Three hundred and thirty-eight communal schools for boys, with 366 teachers and 33,864 pupils.

Thirty-one communal schools for girls, with 40 teachers and 4,380 pupils; 17 private schools for girls, with 25 teachers and 1,479 pupils; the school of the Philecpaideutic Society, for the higher instruction of girls, with 13 professors and 464 pupils.

One agricultural school at Tiryns, with 20 scholars.

One military school, with 20 professors and 64 pupils.

There are, also, at Athens, a school called the Polytechnic School, being the beginning of a school of arts and trades, a library of about 70,000 volumes, a rich cabinet of natural philosophy, a museum of natural history, an anatomical museum, a museum of pathological anatomy,

an observatory, a medical society, a society of natural history, an archæological society, a society of the fine arts and a botanic garden.

According to statistical returns of the kingdom of Greece, for 1853, the. population is 1,002,112. Of this number, from 700 to 750 are teachers or professors, and about 47,000 pupils, of whom about 6,250 are females. The number of young Greeks studying in the universities of France, Germany and Italy, is from 350 to 400. Of these, 31, having finished courses of study in Greece, are maintained at the expense of the Greek government; 11 of them are studying medicine, 6 fine arts, 6 literature, 1 law, 1 physical and mathematical science, and 6 theology.

Agricultural Education.

Much attention is now paid in Europe, by governments and by voluntary associations of the friends of agricultural improvements, in different countries, to schools and model farms, for special instruction in the science and practice of agriculture. The first school of the kind was proposed by the Abbe Rosier, in France, in 1775, but established by Fellenberg, at Hofwyl, in Switzerland, in 1799. It appears from Mr. Barnard's book, that there are now in Europe 25 superior schools, 60 intermediate, and 260 primary schools of agriculture, besides a course of lectures on the science of agriculture in 16 universities. Mr. Barnard gives a particular description of several of the most successful of these interesting institutions.

Normal Schools.

The first institution for the special instruction of teachers in the art of teaching, was established by the Abbe de Lasalle, in France, in 1681, and the second, by Franke, in Germany, in 1694. There are now nearly three hundred in successful operation. They exist as part of the system, in every country where public schools are established and supported by law. Mr. Barnard gives a description of the organization and course of instruction in 25 of the best normal schools in Europe.

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A very interesting class of agricultural schools has been established in France, Germany, and England, within a few years, under the name of Reform Farm Schools, designed for delinquent children. Mr. Barnard gives a minute description of the organization of the Reform Colony at Mettray, of the Rauen-House, near Hamburgh, and the reformatory farm school at Red Hill, near London.

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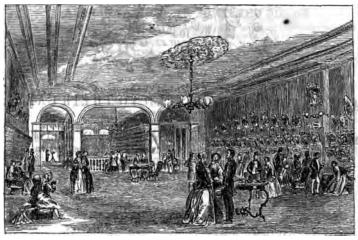
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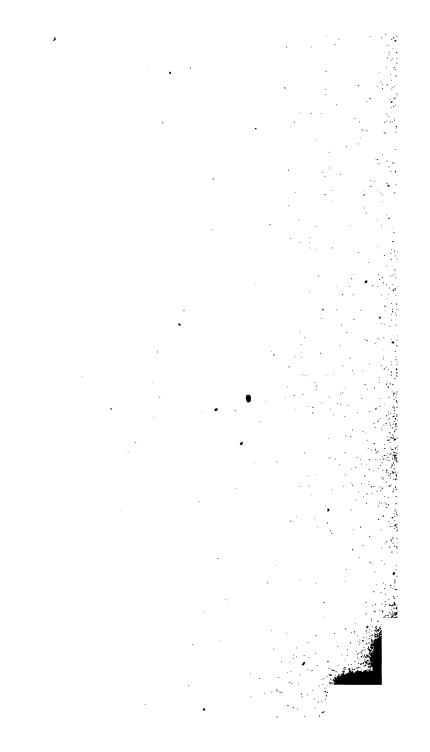
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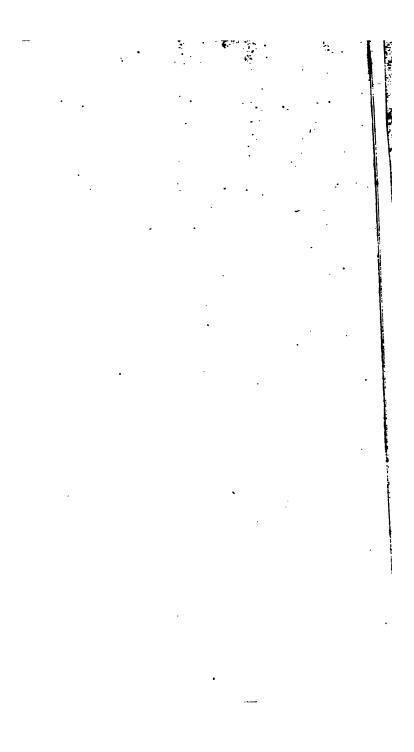
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